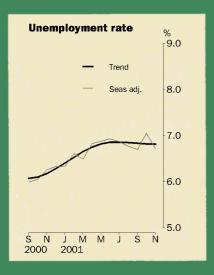


Employed persons 000 9500 Trend 9400 Seas adj 9300 9200 9100 9000 M MJ 2001



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LABOUR FORCE AUSTRALIA PRELIMINARY

AUSTRALIA

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NOVEMBER KEY FIGURES

TREND			monthly
	Oct 2001	Nov 2001	change
Employed persons ('000)	9 183.0	9 187.8	0.1 %
Unemployed persons ('000)	672.0	671.4	-0.1 %
Unemployment rate (%)	6.8	6.8	0.0 pts
Participation rate (%)	63.7	63.7	0.0 pts

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED monthly Oct 2001 Nov 2001 change 9 182.5 9 186.6 4.1 Employed persons ('000) 696.9 660.8 -36.1Unemployed persons ('000) Unemployment rate (%) 7.1 6.7 -0.3 pts Participation rate (%) 63.8 63.5 -0.3 pts

NOVEMBER KEY POINTS

TREND ESTIMATES

EMPLOYMENT

increased to 9,187,800.

UNEMPLOYMENT

decreased slightly to 671,400.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

remained steady at 6.8%.

PARTICIPATION RATE

remained steady at 63.7%.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

EMPLOYMENT

• increased by 4,100 to 9,186,600. Full-time employment rose by 16,200 to 6,639,800 while part-time employment fell by 12,000 to 2,546,800.

UNEMPLOYMENT

 decreased by 36,100 to 660,800. The number of persons looking for full-time work decreased by 28,200 to 504,200 and the number of persons looking for part-time work decreased by 7,800 to 156,600.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

- decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 6.7%. The male rate fell by 0.3 percentage points to 7.0% while the female rate fell by 0.4 percentage points to 6.4%.
- NSW 6.4% (6.6% last month), Vic 6.3% (7.0%), Qld 7.9% (8.0%), SA 6.8% (7.2%), WA 6.2% (6.8%), Tas 8.8% (8.5%).

PARTICIPATION RATE

decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 63.5%.

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
December 2001	17 January 2002
January 2002	14 February 2002
February 2002	14 March 2002
March 2002	11 April 2002
April 2002	09 May 2002
May 2002	06 June 2002

FEDERAL ELECTION

November 2001 employment data may have been affected by the recruitment of temporary workers by the Australian Electoral Commission to conduct the Federal election held on 10 November. The reference period for the November 2001 Labour Force Survey was from 5 to 18 November.

The ABS is unable to estimate the net addition to employment of this recruitment activity.

ROUNDING

Estimates of monthly change shown on page 1 have been calculated using unrounded estimates, and may be different from, but are more accurate than, movements obtained from the rounded estimates. The graphs on page 1 also depict movements calculated from unrounded estimates.

SAMPLING ERRORS

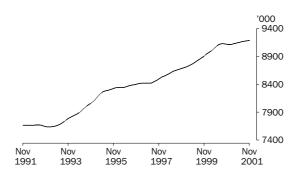
The estimates in this publication are based on a sample survey. Because the entire population is not enumerated, the published estimates and the movements derived from them are subject to sampling variability. Standard errors give a measure of this variability and appear on pages 31 and 32.

The 95% confidence intervals below provide another way of looking at the variability inherent in estimates from sample surveys. The interval bounded by the two limits is the 95% confidence interval. A 95% confidence interval indicates that we are 95% confident that the upper and lower limits enclose the true value of the estimate.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA SERIES	MOVEMENTS OCTOBER 2001 TO NOV					
	Monthly change	95% Confidence interval				
Total employment	4 100	-32 300	to	40 500		
Total unemployment	-36 100	-50 300	to	-21 900		
Unemployment rate	-0.3 pts	-0.5 pts	to	-0.1 pts		
Participation rate	-0.3 pts	-0.5 pts	to	-0.1 pts		

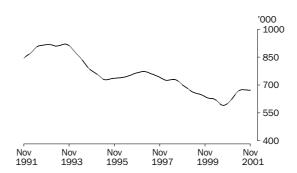
Dennis Trewin Australian Statistician EMPLOYED PERSONS

The trend estimate of employed persons rose strongly from a low of 7,634,00 in January 1993 until mid 1995. The trend then continued to rise at a slower rate until June 1997, before showing stronger growth to reach 9,130,500 in September 2000. Since then the trend has increased slowly to stand at 9,187,800 in November 2001.



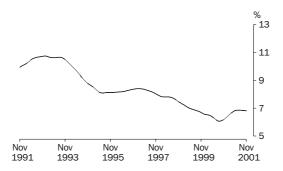
UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

The trend estimate of unemployed persons peaked at 920,500 in September 1993, before falling rapidly to 728,300 in July 1995. The trend then rose slowly, reaching 771,600 in March 1997 before falling to 589,600 in September 2000. Since then the trend has risen to stand at 671,400 in November 2001.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

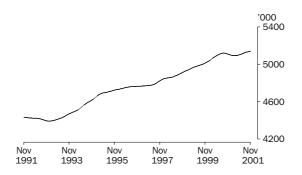
After reaching a high of 10.7% in late 1992, the trend unemployment rate remained steady for twelve months, before falling rapidly to 8.1% in July 1995. The trend then rose slowly until February 1997, before falling to 6.1% in September 2000. The trend estimate has since risen to stand at 6.8% in November 2001.



EMPLOYED MALES

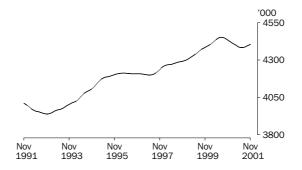
TOTAL

From a low of 4,391,100 in January 1993, the trend estimate of employed males rose strongly until May 1995. Growth then slowed until July 1997, before showing stronger growth, reaching 5,119,100 in September 2000. Since then the trend has increased slightly to stand at 5,140,300 in November 2001.



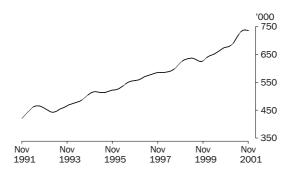
MALES EMPLOYED FULL TIME

Apart from a flat period between June 1995 and June 1997, the trend estimate of males employed full time rose strongly, from 3,938,900 in December 1992 to peak at 4,452,300 in August 2000. The trend then fell until July 2001, but has recently risen to 4,404,400 in November 2001.



MALES EMPLOYED PART TIME

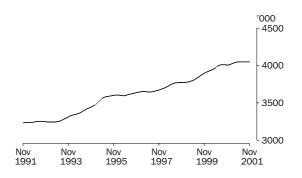
The trend estimate of males employed part time has risen 75% over the last 10 years, rising from 419,700 in November 1991 to 735,900 in November 2001. The trend estimate showed strong growth during the first half of 2001, before flattening in recent months.



EMPLOYED FEMALES

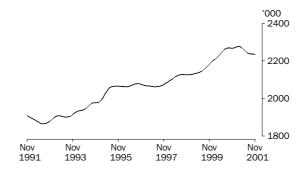
TOTAL

The trend estimate of employed females rose strongly from 3,247,200 in May 1993 to 3,582,100 in July 1995. The trend then continued to rise at a slower rate and stood at 4,047,600 in November 2001.



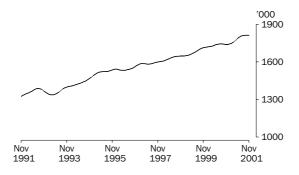
FEMALES EMPLOYED FULL TIME

The trend estimate of females employed full time rose strongly from 1,865,100 in August 1992 to 2,065,500 in September 1995. The trend then remained relatively flat until July 1997, before generally rising to reach 2,276,800 in February 2001. Since then it has fallen to stand at 2,234,400 in November 2001.



FEMALES EMPLOYED PART TIME

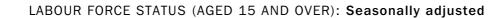
Apart from a small decrease between August 1992 and March 1993, the trend estimate of females employed part time has risen steadily over the last 10 years. In November 2001 the trend estimate was 1,813,100, 37% higher than the November 1991 estimate of 1,323,600.





LABOUR FORCE STATUS (AGED 15 AND OVER): Original

	EMPLOY	'ED		UNEMF	LOYED.						
	Full time	Part time	Total	Looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
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2000					MALE	:S					
September	4 471.1	677.7	5 148.8	294.9	58.3	353.2	5 502.0	2 019.5	7 521.5	6.4	73.2
October	4 449.1	679.8	5 128.9	282.3	48.1	330.4	5 459.3	2 070.4	7 529.8	6.1	72.5
November	4 432.0	660.6	5 092.6	296.1	46.9	343.1	5 435.7	2 102.3	7 538.0	6.3	72.1
December 2001	4 512.4	663.7	5 176.1	304.7	60.4	365.1	5 541.2	2 005.1	7 546.3	6.6	73.4
January	4 391.9	667.2	5 059.1	337.4	55.2	392.6	5 451.7	2 102.9	7 554.6	7.2	72.2
February	4 416.5	661.7	5 078.1	352.8	62.2	415.0	5 493.2	2 069.7	7 562.9	7.6	72.6
March	4 379.0	690.8	5 069.8	318.5	65.7	384.2	5 454.0	2 117.1	7 571.1	7.0	72.0
April	4 388.8	712.8	5 101.7	322.1	63.3	385.4	5 487.1	2 092.4	7 579.4	7.0	72.4
May	4 374.1	721.7	5 095.8	316.8	64.9	381.8	5 477.6	2 110.2	7 587.8	7.0	72.2
June	4 359.3	744.2	5 103.5	316.9	60.6	377.4	5 481.0	2 115.1	7 596.1	6.9	72.2
July August	4 384.2	748.6	5 132.8	307.1	58.8	365.8	5 498.6	2 106.8	7 605.4	6.7	72.3 71.7
September	4 337.6 4 431.2	747.8 725.0	5 085.4 5 156.2	319.1 330.4	54.4 66.3	373.6 396.7	5 459.0 5 552.9	2 155.7 2 071.1	7 614.7 7 624.0	6.8 7.1	72.8
October	4 407.0	740.1	5 147.0	320.3	60.5	380.9	5 527.9	2 105.7	7 633.7	6.9	72.4
November	4 403.3	720.6	5 123.9	317.3	54.1	371.4	5 495.3	2 148.1	7 643.3	6.8	71.9
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2000					FEMAL	.ES					
September	2 295.7	1 779.8	4 075.6	151.6	91.8	243.5	4 319.0	3 421.7	7 740.7	5.6	55.8
October	2 276.8	1 744.9	4 021.7	143.0	84.1	227.2	4 248.9	3 499.6	7 748.5	5.3	54.8
November	2 267.3	1 726.8	3 994.1	152.8	81.2	234.0	4 228.1	3 528.1	7 756.2	5.5	54.5
December	2 313.5	1 751.5	4 065.0	167.0	85.0	252.0	4 317.0	3 447.0	7 764.0	5.8	55.6
2001											
January	2 265.8	1 659.4	3 925.2	166.9	88.5	255.4	4 180.6	3 590.9	7 771.5	6.1	53.8
February	2 286.8	1 705.1	3 991.8	189.9	116.6	306.6	4 298.4	3 480.5	7 778.9	7.1	55.3
March April	2 284.9 2 240.1	1 736.2 1 813.8	4 021.0 4 053.9	169.6 169.9	121.7 113.9	291.3 283.8	4 312.4 4 337.7	3 474.1 3 456.5	7 786.4 7 794.1	6.8 6.5	55.4 55.7
May	2 240.1	1 797.0	4 033.9	184.0	106.0	283.8 289.9	4 328.1	3 456.5	7 794.1 7 801.8	6.7	55.5
June	2 230.8	1 830.4	4 061.2	179.1	97.8	276.9	4 338.1	3 471.4	7 809.5	6.4	55.5
July	2 236.0	1 822.2	4 058.2	167.1	84.7	251.8	4 310.0	3 508.4	7 818.4	5.8	55.1
August	2 206.0	1 832.8	4 038.8	175.5	94.9	270.4	4 309.2	3 518.1	7 827.2	6.3	55.1
September	2 286.5	1 812.4	4 098.9	179.3	96.6	275.9	4 374.7	3 461.4	7 836.1	6.3	55.8
October	2 232.2	1 825.4	4 057.6	183.1	96.1	279.2	4 336.8	3 508.5	7 845.2	6.4	55.3
November	2 229.4	1 837.1	4 066.5	170.1	87.9	258.1	4 324.6	3 529.8	7 854.3	6.0	55.1
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2000					LINGO						
September	6 766.8	2 457.6	9 224.3	446.6	150.1	596.7	9 821.0	5 441.2	15 262.2	6.1	64.3
October	6 725.9	2 424.7	9 150.6	425.3	132.2	557.6	9 708.2	5 570.0	15 278.2	5.7	63.5
November	6 699.3	2 387.4	9 086.7	449.0	128.1	577.1	9 663.8	5 630.4	15 294.3	6.0	63.2
December	6 825.9	2 415.2	9 241.1	471.8	145.4	617.1	9 858.2	5 452.1	15 310.3	6.3	64.4
2001											
January	6 657.7	2 326.6	8 984.3	504.3	143.7	648.0	9 632.3	5 693.8	15 326.1	6.7	62.8
February March	6 703.3	2 366.7	9 070.0	542.7	178.8	721.6	9 791.6	5 550.2	15 341.8	7.4	63.8
March April	6 663.9	2 427.0	9 090.8	488.1	187.5	675.5	9 766.4	5 591.2	15 357.6 15 373.6	6.9	63.6
April May	6 628.9 6 615.2	2 526.6 2 518.8	9 155.5 9 133.9	492.0 500.8	177.2 170.9	669.2 671.7	9 824.8 9 805.6	5 548.8 5 583.9	15 373.6 15 389.6	6.8 6.9	63.9 63.7
June	6 590.1	2 518.8 2 574.7	9 133.9 9 164.7	496.0	170.9 158.3	654.3	9 819.1	5 583.9 5 586.6	15 389.6 15 405.6	6.9 6.7	63.7
July	6 620.2	2 574.7	9 104.7	474.2	143.5	617.6	9 808.6	5 615.2	15 403.8	6.3	63.6
August	6 543.6	2 580.6	9 191.0	494.6	149.3	644.0	9 768.2	5 673.7	15 441.9	6.6	63.3
September	6 717.6	2 537.4	9 255.0	509.7	162.8	672.5	9 927.6	5 532.5	15 460.1	6.8	64.2
October	6 639.2	2 565.4	9 204.6	503.4	156.7	660.1	9 864.7	5 614.2	15 478.9	6.7	63.7
November	6 632.7	2 557.7	9 190.4	487.5	142.0	629.5	9 819.8	5 677.8	15 497.7	6.4	63.4



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EMPLOYED..... UNEMPLOYED..... Looking Looking Partic-Unempfor f/t Labour loyment ipation for p/t Full time Part time Total work work Total force rate rate Month '000 000 '000 '000 '000 '000 '000 % MALES 2000 September 4 451.4 671.8 290.4 52.8 343.2 5 466.4 5 123.2 6.3 72.7 October 4 440.6 676.2 298.5 349.7 5 466.5 5 116.8 51.2 6.4 72.6 November 4 436.7 671.6 5 108.2 303.6 51.8 355.5 5 463.7 6.5 72.5 December 4 436.2 670.2 5 106.4 305.6 55.0 360.7 5 467.1 72.4 6.6 2001 January 4 409.7 686.2 5 095.9 309.6 54.6 364.2 5 460.1 6.7 72.3 February 4 403.9 687.9 5 091.8 323.8 56.3 380.2 5 472.0 6.9 72.4 March 4 395.6 684.5 5 080.1 312.0 369.1 5 449.2 72.0 57.1 6.8 April 4 407.2 696.9 5 104.1 331.1 60.4 391.5 5 495.6 7.1 72.5 May 4 400.5 707.7 5 108.2 321.1 64.8 385.9 5 494.2 7.0 72.4 June 4 376.8 717.9 5 094 7 325.6 68.2 393.7 5 488 4 7.2 72.3 4 353.6 755.6 5 109.1 323.7 69.4 393.1 5 502.2 72.3 July 7.1 4.385.2 748.4 5 133.6 324.1 60.2 384.4 5.518.0 72.5 August 7.0 September 4 410.9 719.2 5 130.1 326.2 59.9 386.2 5 516.3 7.0 72.4 October 4 398.4 735.9 5 134.3 339.6 64.5 404.0 5 538.3 7.3 72.6 November 4 407.8 732.8 5 140.6 325.1 59.6 384.7 5 525.4 7.0 72.3 **FFMALES** 2000 September 2 279.0 1 733.4 4 012.3 152.3 86.7 239.0 4 251.4 5.6 54.9 October 2 269.6 1 742.7 4 012.3 150.4 87.4 237.8 4 250.1 5.6 54.9 November 2 269.5 1 705.3 3 974.8 161.0 89.5 250.5 4 225.3 5.9 54.5 1 749.6 4 250.6 December 2 246.8 3 996.5 162.9 91.2 254.1 54.7 6.0 2001 January 2 261.1 1 773.3 4 034.4 156.3 96.4 252.7 4 287.1 5.9 55.2 2 286.0 February 1 740.3 4 026.3 166.7 98.7 265.5 4 291.8 6.2 55.2 March 2 307.5 1 727.9 4 035.4 158.6 104.9 4 298.9 55.2 263.5 6.1 April 2 255.6 1 795.9 4 051.5 167.5 279.3 4 330.8 6.4 55.6 111.8 May 2 272.2 1 771.1 4 043.3 184.6 105.2 289.7 4 333.0 6.7 55.5 June 2 256.5 1 797.4 4 053.8 187.9 98.9 286.8 4 340.6 55.6 6.6 July 2 200.5 1 826.3 4 026.8 185.2 95.7 280.9 4 307.7 6.5 55.1 August 2 241.4 1 838.1 4 079.6 187.6 97.0 284.6 4 364.1 6.5 55.8 September 2 269.6 1 765.0 4 034 5 180.3 91.1 271.4 4 305 9 6.3 549 October 2 225.3 1 822.9 4 048.2 99.9 4 341.1 55.3 192.9 292.8 6.7 November 2 232.0 1814.0 4 046.0 179.1 97.0 276.1 4 322.1 6.4 55.0 **PERSONS** 2000 September 6 730.4 2 405.1 9 135.5 442.7 139.5 582.2 9 717.7 6.0 63.7 October 2 418.9 587.5 63.6 6 710.2 9 129.1 448.9 138.6 9 716.7 6.0 November 6 706.2 2 376.8 9 083.0 464.7 141.3 606.0 9 689.0 6.3 63.4 December 6 683.0 2 419.8 468.6 614.8 9 717.7 9 102.9 146.2 6.3 63.5 2001 January 6 670.8 2 459.5 9 130.3 466.0 150.9 616.9 9 747.2 6.3 63.6 February 6 689.9 2 428.2 490.6 155.1 645.7 9 763.7 9 118.1 6.6 63.6 March 6 703.1 2 412.4 9 115.5 470.6 162.0 632.6 9 748.1 6.5 63.5 April 6 662.7 2 492.9 9 155.6 498.6 172.2 670.8 9 826.4 6.8 63.9 May 6 672.7 2 478.8 9 151.5 505.7 170.0 675.7 9 827.2 6.9 63.9 June 6 633.2 2 515.3 9 148.5 513.5 167.0 680.5 9 829.0 6.9 63.8 6 554.0 2 581.9 9 809.9 63.6 July 9 135.9 508.8 165.2 674.0 6.9 August 6 626.7 2 586.5 9 213.2 511.7 157.2 668.9 9 882.1 6.8 64.0 September 6 680.5 2 484.1 9 164.6 506.5 151.0 657.5 9 822.2 6.7 63.5 October 6 623.7 2 558.8 9 182.5 532.5 164.4 696 9 9 8 7 9 . 4 7.1 63.8 November 6 639.8 2 546.8 9 186.6 504.2 156.6 660.8 9 847.5 63.5



LABOUR FORCE STATUS (AGED 15 AND OVER): Trend(a)

	EMPLOY	ED		UNEMP	LOYED				
				Looking for f/t	Looking for p/t		Labour	Unemp- loyment	Partic- ipation
	Full time	Part time	Total	work	work	Total	force	rate	rate
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
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0000				MALES					
2000	4.450.0	660.4	E 440.4	202.0	F2.0	247.4	F 400.0	C 4	70.7
September October	4 450.0 4 443.9	669.1 672.7	5 119.1 5 116.7	293.9 297.2	53.6 52.9	347.4 350.1	5 466.6	6.4 6.4	72.7 72.6
November	4 435.3	675.3	5 110.7	301.8	52.9 52.8	354.6	5 466.8 5 465.3	6.5	72.5 72.5
December	4 426.2	677.2	5 103.4	307.0	53.2	360.3	5 463.6	6.6	72.4
2001	1 120.2	011.2	0 100.1	001.0	00.2	000.0	0 100.0	0.0	12.1
January	4 417.9	679.4	5 097.3	312.1	54.4	366.5	5 463.9	6.7	72.3
February	4 410.1	683.5	5 093.6	316.6	56.5	373.1	5 466.7	6.8	72.3
March	4 401.7	690.8	5 092.6	320.3	59.1	379.4	5 472.0	6.9	72.3
April	4 393.5	701.2	5 094.8	322.4	61.8	384.2	5 478.9	7.0	72.3
May	4 386.6	713.1	5 099.7	323.8	63.9	387.7	5 487.4	7.1	72.3
June	4 383.0	723.8	5 106.8	324.6	65.1	389.7	5 496.5	7.1	72.4
July	4 382.9	731.8	5 114.7	325.5	65.0	390.6	5 505.2	7.1	72.4
August	4 386.0	736.2	5 122.2	326.8	64.2	390.9	5 513.2	7.1	72.4
September	4 391.6	737.5	5 129.2	328.1	63.0	391.1	5 520.3	7.1	72.4
October	4 397.8	737.3	5 135.1	329.2	61.8	391.0	5 526.1	7.1	72.4
November	4 404.4	735.9	5 140.3	330.7	60.6	391.3	5 531.6	7.1	72.4
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2000				FEMALES					
September	2 268.6	1 742.7	4 011.4	154.5	87.6	242.1	4 253.5	5.7	55.0
October	2 268.2	1 742.7	4 008.7	154.9	87.8	242.7	4 251.4	5.7	54.9
November	2 267.6	1 738.8	4 006.4	156.3	89.4	245.7	4 252.1	5.8	54.8
December	2 268.6	1 739.3	4 008.0	158.0	92.5	250.5	4 258.5	5.9	54.8
2001	2 200.0	1.00.0	. 000.0	200.0	02.0	200.0	. 200.0	0.0	00
January	2 272.7	1 742.8	4 015.5	159.8	96.8	256.6	4 272.1	6.0	55.0
February	2 276.8	1 749.3	4 026.1	162.8	100.8	263.6	4 289.7	6.1	55.1
March	2 276.6	1 759.9	4 036.5	167.1	103.9	271.0	4 307.4	6.3	55.3
April	2 271.2	1 772.5	4 043.6	172.2	104.9	277.2	4 320.8	6.4	55.4
May	2 261.6	1 785.8	4 047.4	177.9	103.8	281.7	4 329.1	6.5	55.5
June	2 250.9	1 797.6	4 048.5	182.7	101.3	284.0	4 332.5	6.6	55.5
July	2 242.6	1 806.5	4 049.1	185.5	98.6	284.1	4 333.2	6.6	55.4
August	2 238.6	1 810.4	4 049.1	186.5	96.6	283.1	4 332.1	6.5	55.3
September	2 236.9	1 811.7	4 048.6	186.3	95.7	282.0	4 330.6	6.5	55.3
October November	2 236.2 2 234.4	1 811.7 1 813.1	4 047.9	185.7	95.3 95.7	281.0	4 328.9	6.5	55.2 55.1
November	2 234.4	1 013.1	4 047.6	184.3	95.1	280.0	4 327.6	6.5	55.1
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2000				1 ENGONG					
September	6 718.6	2 411.9	9 130.5	448.4	141.2	589.6	9 720.1	6.1	63.7
October	6 712.2	2 413.2	9 125.4	452.1	140.7	592.8	9 718.2	6.1	63.6
November	6 702.9	2 414.1	9 117.0	458.2	142.2	600.4	9 717.4	6.2	63.5
December	6 694.8	2 416.5	9 111.3	465.0	145.8	610.8	9 722.1	6.3	63.5
2001									
January	6 690.6	2 422.2	9 112.8	471.9	151.2	623.1	9 735.9	6.4	63.5
February	6 686.9	2 432.8	9 119.7	479.4	157.3	636.7	9 756.4	6.5	63.6
March	6 678.3	2 450.7	9 129.0	487.3	163.0	650.3	9 779.4	6.7	63.7
April	6 664.7	2 473.7	9 138.4	494.7	166.7	661.4	9 799.7	6.7	63.7
May	6 648.3	2 498.9	9 147.1	501.6	167.8	669.4	9 816.5	6.8	63.8
June July	6 633.9	2 521.4 2 538.3	9 155.3	507.3 511.0	166.4	673.7 674.6	9 829.0	6.9	63.8 63.8
August	6 625.5 6 624.7	2 538.3 2 546.6	9 163.8 9 171.3	511.0 513.2	163.7 160.8	674.6 674.0	9 838.4 9 845.3	6.9 6.8	63.8
September	6 628.6	2 546.6 2 549.3	9 171.3 9 177.8	513.2 514.5	160.8 158.6	674.0 673.1	9 845.3 9 850.9	6.8	63.8
October	6 634.0	2 549.3	9 177.8	514.9	157.1	672.0	9 855.1	6.8	63.7
November	6 638.8	2 549.0	9 183.0	515.0	156.3	671.4	9 859.2	6.8	63.7
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⁽a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised.



	NUMBI	ER OF UN	IEMPLO	ED PER	SONS	UNEM	PLOYME	ENT RAT	UNEMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO			
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 Iooking for f/t work	Aged 20 and ove looking for f/t work		Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
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2000						MALES						
September	31.1	263.8	294.9	58.3	353.2	17.6	5.7	6.2	7.9	6.4	4.5	3.9
October	31.9	250.4	282.3	48.1	330.4	18.8	5.5	6.0	6.6	6.1	4.6	3.7
November	40.4	255.7	296.1	46.9	343.1	22.4	5.6	6.3	6.6	6.3	5.8	3.7
December	46.0	258.7	304.7	60.4	365.1	22.1	5.6	6.3	8.3	6.6	6.6	3.8
2001												
January	52.9	284.6	337.4	55.2	392.6	26.0	6.3	7.1	7.6	7.2	7.6	4.1
February	55.3	297.6	352.8	62.2	415.0	28.0	6.5	7.4	8.6	7.6	8.0	4.3
March	43.8	274.7	318.5	65.7	384.2	24.2	6.1	6.8	8.7	7.0	6.3	4.0
April	43.3	278.8	322.1	63.3	385.4	23.3	6.2	6.8	8.2	7.0	6.2	4.1
May	41.3	275.5	316.8	64.9	381.8	23.1	6.1	6.8	8.3	7.0	5.9	4.0
June	44.0	272.8	316.9	60.6	377.4	23.1	6.1	6.8	7.5	6.9	6.3	4.0
July	36.3	270.8	307.1	58.8	365.8	19.1	6.0	6.5	7.3	6.7	5.2	3.9
August	39.0	280.1	319.1	54.4	373.6	21.5	6.3	6.9	6.8	6.8	5.6	4.0
September	43.3	287.1	330.4	66.3	396.7	23.5	6.3	6.9	8.4	7.1	6.2	4.1
October	43.1	277.3	320.3	60.5	380.9	23.3	6.1	6.8	7.6	6.9	6.2	4.0
November	42.3	275.0	317.3	54.1	371.4	24.6	6.0	6.7	7.0	6.8	6.1	4.0
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2000						FEMALES						
September	21.9	129.8	151.6	91.8	243.5	20.1	5.5	6.2	4.9	5.6	3.3	1.8
October	19.3	123.7	143.0	84.1	227.2	18.5	5.3	5.9	4.6	5.3	2.9	1.7
November	23.0	129.8	152.8	81.2	234.0	21.0	5.6	6.3	4.5	5.5	3.5	1.8
December	33.4	133.6	167.0	85.0	252.0	24.5	5.7	6.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	1.9
2001												
January	30.3	136.6	166.9	88.5	255.4	22.0	6.0	6.9	5.1	6.1	4.6	1.9
February	36.7	153.3	189.9	116.6	306.6	27.3	6.5	7.7	6.4	7.1	5.5	2.2
March	26.9	142.7	169.6	121.7	291.3	24.1	6.1	6.9	6.6	6.8	4.1	2.0
April	26.2	143.7	169.9	113.9	283.8	23.0	6.3	7.0	5.9	6.5	4.0	2.0
May June	27.9 31.5	156.1 147.6	184.0 179.1	106.0 97.8	289.9 276.9	25.1 27.4	6.7	7.6 7.4	5.6 5.1	6.7 6.4	4.2 4.7	2.2 2.1
July	29.1	138.0	167.1	97.8 84.7	251.8	25.3	6.4 6.0	7.4	3.1 4.4	5.8	4.7	1.9
August	25.3	150.1	175.5	94.9	270.4	24.3	6.6	7.4	4.4	6.3	3.8	2.1
September	27.8	151.5	179.3	96.6	275.9	25.2	6.4	7.3	5.1	6.3	4.2	2.1
October	29.1	154.0	183.1	96.1	279.2	25.6	6.7	7.6	5.0	6.4	4.4	2.1
November	28.6	141.5	170.1	87.9	258.1	25.5	6.2	7.1	4.6	6.0	4.3	2.0
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2000	F0.0	202.2	440.0	450.4	F00 7	40.6	F 7	0.0	F 0	0.4	2.5	0.0
September	52.9	393.6	446.6	150.1	596.7	18.6	5.7	6.2	5.8	6.1	3.9	2.8
October November	51.3	374.1	425.3	132.2	557.6	18.7	5.4	5.9	5.2	5.7	3.8	2.7
December	63.5 79.4	385.5	449.0	128.1	577.1	21.9 23.1	5.6	6.3	5.1 5.7	6.0 6.3	4.7	2.8 2.8
2001	19.4	392.3	471.8	145.4	617.1	23.1	5.6	6.5	5.7	0.3	5.9	2.0
January	83.2	421.1	504.3	143.7	648.0	24.4	6.2	7.0	5.8	6.7	6.1	3.0
February	91.9	450.8	542.7	178.8	721.6	27.7	6.5	7.5	7.0	7.4	6.8	3.2
March	70.7	417.4	488.1	187.5	675.5	24.2	6.1	6.8	7.2	6.9	5.2	3.0
April	69.5	422.5	492.0	177.2	669.2	23.2	6.2	6.9	6.6	6.8	5.1	3.0
May	69.2	431.6	500.8	170.9	671.7	23.9	6.3	7.0	6.4	6.9	5.1	3.1
June	75.5	420.5	496.0	158.3	654.3	24.7	6.2	7.0	5.8	6.7	5.5	3.0
July	65.4	408.8	474.2	143.5	617.6	21.4	6.0	6.7	5.3	6.3	4.8	2.9
August	64.3	430.3	494.6	149.3	644.0	22.5	6.4	7.0	5.5	6.6	4.7	3.1
September	71.1	438.6	509.7	162.8	672.5	24.1	6.3	7.1	6.0	6.8	5.2	3.1
October	72.1	431.3	503.4	156.7	660.1	24.2	6.3	7.0	5.8	6.7	5.3	3.1
November	70.9	416.5	487.5	142.0	629.5	24.9	6.1	6.8	5.3	6.4	5.2	2.9

	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS						UNEMPLOYMENT RATE						UNEMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO		
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total		–19 king f/t	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	loc	–19 oking f/t	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%		%	%	%	%	%		%	
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2000							•								
September	34.0	256.4	290.4	52.8	343.2	18	3.7	5.6	6.1	7.3	6.3	4	4.9	3.8	
October	36.4	262.1	298.5	51.2	349.7	20	0.5	5.7	6.3	7.0	6.4	Ę	5.3	3.8	
November	43.2	260.4	303.6	51.8	355.5	22	2.9	5.7	6.4	7.2	6.5	(5.2	3.8	
December	37.9	267.8	305.6	55.0	360.7	20	0.4	5.9	6.4	7.6	6.6	į	5.5	3.9	
2001															
January	42.3	267.4	309.6	54.6	364.2		3.4	5.9	6.6	7.4	6.7	(5.1	3.9	
February	49.8	274.0	323.8	56.3	380.2	27	7.1	6.0	6.8	7.6	6.9		7.2	4.0	
March	42.8	269.2	312.0	57.1	369.1		3.7	5.9	6.6	7.7	6.8		5.2	3.9	
April	44.6	286.5	331.1	60.4	391.5		3.7	6.3	7.0	8.0	7.1		5.4	4.2	
May	43.1	278.0	321.1	64.8	385.9		3.1	6.1	6.8	8.4	7.0		5.2	4.0	
June	46.1	279.4	325.6	68.2	393.7		2.7	6.2	6.9	8.7	7.2		6.6	4.0	
July	39.9	283.8	323.7	69.4	393.1		1.2	6.3	6.9	8.4	7.1		5.7	4.1	
August	44.4	279.8	324.1	60.2	384.4		2.5	6.2	6.9	7.4	7.0		5.4	4.0	
September	47.3	278.9	326.2	59.9	386.2		1.8	6.1	6.9	7.7	7.0		5.8	4.0	
October November	49.1 45.2	290.4 279.9	339.6	64.5	404.0		5.2	6.4	7.2	8.1	7.3		7.0	4.2	
November	45.2	219.9	325.1	59.6	384.7	25	5.1	6.1	6.9	7.5	7.0	,	5.5	4.0	
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2000															
September	24.5	127.8	152.3	86.7	239.0	21	1.2	5.5	6.3	4.8	5.6	3	3.7	1.8	
October	21.9	128.5	150.4	87.4	237.8	19	9.9	5.6	6.2	4.8	5.6	3	3.3	1.8	
November	24.0	137.0	161.0	89.5	250.5		0.9	5.9	6.6	5.0	5.9		3.6	1.9	
December	26.3	136.7	162.9	91.2	254.1	22	2.3	6.0	6.8	5.0	6.0	4	4.0	1.9	
2001												_			
January	25.6	130.7	156.3	96.4	252.7		1.8	5.7	6.5	5.2	5.9		3.9	1.8	
February	31.7	135.0	166.7	98.7	265.5		5.7	5.8	6.8	5.4	6.2		4.8	1.9	
March April	26.6	132.0	158.6 167.5	104.9	263.5		3.2	5.6	6.4	5.7	6.1		4.0	1.9	
May	26.5 27.3	141.0 157.3	184.6	111.8 105.2	279.3 289.7		2.6 3.5	6.1 6.7	6.9 7.5	5.9 5.6	6.4 6.7		4.0 4.1	2.0 2.2	
June	35.8	157.3	187.9	98.9	286.8		3.6	6.6	7.7	5.2	6.6		+.1 5.4	2.1	
July	33.2	152.1	185.2	95.7	280.9		3.6	6.7	7.8	5.0	6.5		5.0	2.1	
August	29.0	158.6	187.6	97.0	284.6		5.4	6.9	7.7	5.0	6.5		4.4	2.2	
September	31.1	149.1	180.3	91.1	271.4		5.5	6.4	7.4	4.9	6.3		4.7	2.1	
October	33.0	159.9	192.9	99.9	292.8		7.3	7.0	8.0	5.2	6.7		5.0	2.2	
November	29.7	149.4	179.1	97.0	276.1		5.3	6.5	7.4	5.1	6.4		4.5	2.1	
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2000						PERSO	11/2								
September	58.5	384.2	442.7	139.5	582.2	10	9.7	5.6	6.2	5.5	6.0	,	4.3	2.8	
October	58.3	390.6	448.9	138.6	587.5		0.2	5.7	6.3	5.4	6.0		4.3	2.8	
November	67.2	397.5	464.7	141.3	606.0		2.1	5.8	6.5	5.6	6.3		5.0	2.9	
December	64.1	404.5	468.6	146.2	614.8		1.1	5.9	6.6	5.7	6.3		4.7	2.9	
2001															
January	67.8	398.1	466.0	150.9	616.9	22	2.8	5.8	6.5	5.8	6.3	į	5.0	2.8	
February	81.5	409.1	490.6	155.1	645.7		6.5	6.0	6.8	6.0	6.6		6.0	2.9	
March	69.5	401.2	470.6	162.0	632.6	23	3.5	5.8	6.6	6.3	6.5	į	5.1	2.9	
April	71.1	427.5	498.6	172.2	670.8	23	3.3	6.2	7.0	6.5	6.8	į	5.2	3.1	
May	70.4	435.3	505.7	170.0	675.7	23	3.3	6.3	7.0	6.4	6.9	į	5.2	3.1	
June	82.0	431.5	513.5	167.0	680.5	25	5.0	6.3	7.2	6.2	6.9	(6.0	3.1	
July	73.0	435.8	508.8	165.2	674.0		1.0	6.4	7.2	6.0	6.9	į	5.4	3.1	
August	73.4	438.4	511.7	157.2	668.9		3.5	6.4	7.2	5.7	6.8	į	5.4	3.1	
September	78.5	428.0	506.5	151.0	657.5		5.4	6.2	7.0	5.7	6.7		5.8	3.0	
October	82.1	450.3	532.5	164.4	696.9		5.0	6.6	7.4	6.0	7.1		6.0	3.2	
November	74.9	429.3	504.2	156.6	660.8	25	5.2	6.3	7.1	5.8	6.7	į	5.5	3.0	

	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS					UNEM	PLOYME	UNEMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO				
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work		Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
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2002						MALES						
2000 September	35.7	258.2	293.9	53.6	347.4	19.4	5.7	6.2	7.4	6.4	5.2	3.8
October	37.3	259.9	293.9	52.9	350.1	20.4	5.7	6.3	7.3	6.4	5.4	3.8
November	39.4	262.5	301.8	52.8	354.6	21.5	5.8	6.4	7.2	6.5	5.7	3.8
December	41.4	265.6	307.0	53.2	360.3	22.7	5.8	6.5	7.3	6.6	6.0	3.9
2001	12.1	200.0	001.0	00.2	000.0	22.1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
January	43.2	268.9	312.1	54.4	366.5	23.6	5.9	6.6	7.4	6.7	6.2	3.9
February	44.4	272.2	316.6	56.5	373.1	24.2	6.0	6.7	7.6	6.8	6.4	4.0
March	44.8	275.5	320.3	59.1	379.4	24.2	6.1	6.8	7.9	6.9	6.4	4.0
April	44.5	278.0	322.4	61.8	384.2	23.8	6.1	6.8	8.1	7.0	6.4	4.0
May	44.0	279.8	323.8	63.9	387.7	23.2	6.2	6.9	8.2	7.1	6.3	4.1
June	43.8	280.8	324.6	65.1	389.7	22.7	6.2	6.9	8.2	7.1	6.3	4.1
July	44.1	281.5	325.5	65.0	390.6	22.7	6.2	6.9	8.2	7.1	6.3	4.1
August	44.8	281.9	326.8	64.2	390.9	23.2	6.2	6.9	8.0	7.1	6.4	4.1
September	45.7	282.5	328.1	63.0	391.1	23.8	6.2	7.0	7.9	7.1	6.6	4.1
October	46.4	282.8	329.2	61.8	391.0	24.4	6.2	7.0	7.7	7.1	6.7	4.1
November	47.1	283.6	330.7	60.6	391.3	25.0	6.2	7.0	7.6	7.1	6.8	4.1
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					F	EMALES						
2000	0= 4			07.0	0.40.4	24.2						
September	25.1	129.4	154.5	87.6	242.1	21.6	5.6	6.4	4.8	5.7	3.8	1.8
October	24.4	130.5	154.9	87.8	242.7	21.2	5.7	6.4	4.8	5.7	3.7	1.8
November	24.6	131.7	156.3	89.4	245.7	21.3	5.7	6.4	4.9	5.8	3.7	1.9
December 2001	25.4	132.6	158.0	92.5	250.5	21.8	5.7	6.5	5.1	5.9	3.8	1.9
January	26.2	133.6	159.8	96.8	256.6	22.4	5.8	6.6	5.3	6.0	4.0	1.9
February	27.2	135.5	162.8	100.8	263.6	23.1	5.8	6.7	5.5	6.1	4.0	1.9
March	28.2	138.9	167.1	103.9	271.0	23.1	6.0	6.8	5.6	6.3	4.3	1.9
April	29.1	143.1	172.2	104.9	277.2	24.5	6.2	7.0	5.6	6.4	4.4	2.0
May	30.0	147.9	177.9	103.8	281.7	25.4	6.4	7.3	5.5	6.5	4.5	2.1
June	30.8	151.8	182.7	101.3	284.0	26.1	6.6	7.5	5.3	6.6	4.6	2.1
July	31.5	154.0	185.5	98.6	284.1	26.7	6.7	7.6	5.2	6.6	4.7	2.2
August	31.7	154.7	186.5	96.6	283.1	26.9	6.7	7.7	5.1	6.5	4.8	2.2
September	31.7	154.7	186.3	95.7	282.0	26.9	6.7	7.7	5.0	6.5	4.8	2.2
October	31.4	154.3	185.7	95.3	281.0	26.7	6.7	7.7	5.0	6.5	4.7	2.1
November	31.1	153.3	184.3	95.7	280.0	26.3	6.7	7.6	5.0	6.5	4.7	2.1
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					Р	ERSONS						
2000												
September	60.7	387.7	448.4	141.2	589.6	20.3	5.6	6.3	5.5	6.1	4.5	2.8
October	61.7	390.4	452.1	140.7	592.8	20.7	5.7	6.3	5.5	6.1	4.6	2.8
November	64.0	394.2	458.2	142.2	600.4	21.5	5.7	6.4	5.6	6.2	4.7	2.8
December	66.8	398.3	465.0	145.8	610.8	22.3	5.8	6.5	5.7	6.3	4.9	2.9
2001												
January	69.4	402.5	471.9	151.2	623.1	23.1	5.9	6.6	5.9	6.4	5.1	2.9
February	71.6	407.8	479.4	157.3	636.7	23.8	5.9	6.7	6.1	6.5	5.3	2.9
March	73.0	414.3	487.3	163.0	650.3	24.0	6.0	6.8	6.2	6.7	5.4	3.0
April	73.6	421.1	494.7	166.7	661.4	24.1	6.1	6.9	6.3	6.7	5.4	3.0
May	74.0	427.6	501.6	167.8	669.4	24.0	6.3	7.0	6.3	6.8	5.4	3.0
June	74.6	432.6	507.3	166.4	673.7	24.0	6.3	7.1	6.2	6.9	5.5	3.1
July	75.5	435.5	511.0	163.7	674.6	24.2	6.4	7.2	6.1	6.9	5.5	3.1
August	76.6	436.7	513.2	160.8	674.0	24.6	6.4	7.2	5.9	6.8	5.6	3.1
September	77.4	437.1	514.5	158.6	673.1	24.9	6.4	7.2	5.9	6.8	5.7	3.1
October	77.9	437.1	514.9	157.1	672.0	25.3	6.4	7.2	5.8	6.8	5.7	3.1
November	78.1	436.9	515.0	156.3	671.4	25.5	6.4	7.2	5.8	6.8	5.7	3.1

(a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised.



	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED								
	Full time	Part time	Total	Looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15–19	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
	ATT	ENDING N	NEITHER SCHOO	DL NOR A	TERTIAR	Y EDUCATION	AL INSTIT				
Males	125.5	53.3	178.8	35.9	6.2	42.1	220.9	31.6	252.5	19.1	87.5
Females	80.1	59.7	139.8	20.4	5.2	25.6	165.4	40.9	206.3	15.5	80.2
Persons	205.5	113.0	318.6	56.3	11.4	67.7	386.3	72.5	458.8	17.5	84.2
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			TTENDING A TE								
Males	* 2.4	40.9	43.3	* 2.4	* 3.5	6.0	49.3	36.3	85.6	12.1	57.6
Females	* 3.4	53.2	56.7	5.2	* 4.2	9.3	66.0	31.1	97.1	14.1	68.0
Persons	5.8	94.2	100.0	7.6	7.7	15.3	115.3	67.4	182.7	13.3	63.1
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Males	* 1.9	109.4	111.3	* 4.1	20.7	24.8	136.1	223.0	359.2	18.2	37.9
Females	* 0.2	134.6	134.8	* 3.0	20.7	23.7	158.6	204.1	362.7	15.0	43.7
Persons	* 2.2	244.0		7.1	41.4	48.5	294.7	427.2	721.9	16.5	40.8
reisons	2.2	244.0		7.±			254.1	421.2	721.9	10.5	40.0
					TOTAL						
Males	129.8	203.7	333.4	42.3	30.5	72.8	406.3	291.0	697.3	17.9	58.3
Females	83.7	247.5	331.3	28.6	30.1	58.7	390.0	276.1	666.1	15.0	58.5
Persons	213.5	451.2	664.7	70.9	60.6	131.5	796.2	567.1	1 363.4	16.5	58.4



	EMPLOY	'ED		UNEMF	PLOYED.						
	Full time	Part time	Total	Looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemp- loyment rate	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
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					MALE	ES					
New South Wales	1 473.0	235.9	1 708.8	102.9	15.3	118.1	1 827.0	750.3	2 577.3	6.5	70.9
Victoria	1 125.0	177.9	1 302.9	68.6	14.8	83.4	1 386.3	526.8	1 913.1	6.0	72.5
Queensland	814.5	136.6	951.1	69.9	10.6	80.4	1 031.5	391.3	1 422.8	7.8	72.5
South Australia	319.4	56.2	375.6	27.8	4.3	32.1	407.6	187.2	594.8	7.9	68.5
Western Australia	462.3	72.5	534.9	30.5	5.8	36.3	571.2	188.8	760.0	6.4	75.2
Tasmania	94.2	16.2	110.4	10.8	1.2	12.1	122.5	58.6	181.2	9.9	67.6
Northern Territory	43.3	10.2	53.5	3.9	1.2	5.1	58.6	15.5	74.1	8.8	79.1
Australian Capital Territory	71.6	15.0	86.7	3.0	* 0.9	3.9	90.5	29.6	120.1	4.3	75.4
Australia	4 403.3	720.6	5 123.9	317.3	54.1	371.4	5 495.3	2 148.1	7 643.3	6.8	71.9
					FEMAI	LES					
New South Wales	760.7	577.6	1 338.3	54.5	26.9	81.4	1 419.7	1 229.5	2 649.2	5.7	53.6
Victoria	559.9	461.8	1 021.7	42.3	21.6	63.9	1 085.6	899.2	1 984.8	5.9	54.7
Queensland	414.2	351.7	766.0	38.4	20.6	59.0	824.9	629.2	1 454.1	7.1	56.7
South Australia	159.8	151.6	311.4	10.4	6.5	16.9	328.3	291.6	619.9	5.2	53.0
Western Australia	208.3	207.2	415.5	16.1	7.9	24.0	439.5	321.0	760.5	5.5	57.8
Tasmania	45.4	45.5	90.9	5.2	1.4	6.6	97.5	94.2	191.8	6.8	50.9
Northern Territory	28.7	14.9	43.6	1.5	1.9	3.4	47.0	21.5	68.5	7.3	68.7
Australian Capital Territory	52.3	26.7	79.1	1.8	1.1	2.9	81.9	43.6	125.5	3.5	65.3
Australia	2 229.4	1 837.1	4 066.5	170.1	87.9	258.1	4 324.6	3 529.8	7 854.3	6.0	55.1
					PERSO	ONS					
New South Wales	2 233.6	813.5	3 047.1	157.3	42.2	199.5	3 246.6	1 979.9	5 226.5	6.1	62.1
Victoria	1 685.0	639.7	2 324.7	110.9	36.4	147.3	2 472.0	1 425.9	3 897.9	6.0	63.4
Queensland	1 228.7	488.4	1 717.0	108.3	31.1	139.4	1 856.4	1 020.5	2 876.9	7.5	64.5
South Australia	479.2	207.7	686.9	38.1	10.8	49.0	735.9	478.8	1 214.7	6.7	60.6
Western Australia	670.6	279.8	950.4	46.6	13.7	60.3	1 010.7	509.8	1 520.5	6.0	66.5
Tasmania	139.6	61.8	201.4	16.0	2.7	18.7	220.1	152.9	373.0	8.5	59.0
Northern Territory	72.0	25.1	97.1	5.5	3.1	8.6	105.7	37.0	142.6	8.1	74.1
Australian Capital Territory	124.0	41.7	165.7	4.8	2.0	6.7	172.4	73.1	245.6	3.9	70.2
Australia	6 632.7	2 557.7	9 190.4	487.5	142.0	629.5	9 819.8	5 677.8	15 497.7	6.4	63.4



	NUMBE	ER OF UN	EMPLOY	ED PERSO	NS	UNEMP	LOYMENT		UNEMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO			
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
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0000					NEW	SOUTH WALI	ES					
2000 September	16.5	111.3	127.8	43.9	171.8	17.6	4.7	5.2	5.4	5.2	3.7	2.4
October	16.2	106.1	122.3	37.0	159.3	18.3	4.6	5.1	4.6	4.9	3.6	2.2
November	19.6	110.9	130.5	39.0	169.6	21.4	4.8	5.4	5.0	5.3	4.4	2.3
December	26.1	120.7	146.8	37.9	184.7	24.1	5.1	6.0	4.7	5.7	5.8	2.6
2001	00.7	100.1	4500		400.4		- 0					
January	28.7	122.1	150.8	38.6	189.4	25.6	5.3	6.2	5.0	6.0	6.4	2.6
February March	26.4	137.0 118.3	163.4	51.9 53.0	215.3 189.5	25.4	5.9 5.1	6.7	6.6 6.6	6.7 5.9	5.9	2.9 2.5
April	18.2 18.0	119.2	136.5 137.2	49.3	186.5	20.3 19.5	5.1	5.6 5.7	5.8	5.9 5.7	4.1 4.0	2.5 2.5
May	18.9	120.3	139.2	47.7	186.9	21.2	5.2	5.8	5.6	5.8	4.2	2.5
June	21.7	120.2	142.0	46.8	188.8	22.5	5.2	5.9	5.6	5.8	4.9	2.5
July	20.5	114.2	134.7	39.7	174.4	20.8	4.9	5.6	4.7	5.4	4.6	2.4
August	20.3	128.0	148.3	43.0	191.3	22.2	5.6	6.2	5.0	5.9	4.5	2.7
September	23.4	136.4	159.8	45.1	205.0	25.6	5.8	6.5	5.3	6.2	5.2	2.9
October	21.0	141.1	162.1	41.8	203.9	22.8	6.1	6.7	4.9	6.2	4.7	3.0
November	22.0	135.3	157.3	42.2	199.5	26.1	5.9	6.6	4.9	6.1	4.9	2.8
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2000												
September	11.2	100.4	111.7	39.6	151.2	18.2	5.8	6.2	5.9	6.1	3.4	2.9
October	9.6	92.3	101.9	34.4	136.3	15.9	5.3	5.7	5.3	5.6	2.9	2.6
November	11.5	90.6	102.1	31.5	133.6	18.4	5.2	5.7	4.9	5.5	3.5	2.6
December 2001	12.9	88.4	101.3	42.4	143.7	17.7	5.0	5.5	6.6	5.8	3.9	2.5
January	11.4	98.9	110.4	38.6	148.9	16.5	5.7	6.1	6.2	6.1	3.5	2.8
February	17.5	100.3	117.8	48.3	166.1	25.7	5.7	6.5	7.4	6.7	5.3	2.8
March	12.3	93.9	106.2	55.6	161.7	20.3	5.4	5.9	8.2	6.6	3.7	2.7
April	13.1	96.2	109.3	46.6	155.9	21.2	5.5	6.1	6.9	6.3	4.0	2.7
May	12.1	96.2	108.2	49.2	157.4	20.3	5.6	6.1	7.2	6.4	3.7	2.7
June	13.1	93.6	106.8	39.7	146.4	21.3	5.5	6.0	5.6	5.9	4.0	2.6
July	11.2	97.6	108.8	38.7	147.5	19.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.0	3.4	2.8
August	12.6	100.6	113.2	38.8	152.0	22.3	5.9	6.4	5.6	6.2	3.8	2.8
September October	11.9	100.6	112.4	45.9	158.3	20.7	5.7	6.2	6.7	6.3	3.6	2.8
November	14.2 15.7	105.2 95.2	119.3 110.9	45.4 36.4	164.7 147.3	23.0 24.9	6.0 5.5	6.6 6.2	6.6 5.4	6.6 6.0	4.3 4.7	3.0 2.7
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2000					QL	JEENSLAND						
September	12.1	86.8	98.9	32.9	131.8	20.3	6.7	7.3	6.7	7.1	4.6	3.4
October	11.0	84.0	96.9 95.1	32.9	127.4	18.4	6.6	7.3 7.1	6.7	7.1	4.0	3.3
November	14.6	88.2	102.7	29.0	131.7	23.3	6.9	7.7	6.0	7.2	5.5	3.4
December	18.8	90.5	109.2	35.9	145.2	25.0	7.0	8.0	7.2	7.8	7.1	3.5
2001												
January	21.5	97.0	118.4	31.2	149.6	29.5	7.7	8.9	6.6	8.3	8.1	3.8
February	25.8	108.1	133.9	39.2	173.1	34.2	8.4	9.9	8.0	9.4	9.8	4.2
March	22.9	102.8	125.7	40.5	166.2	32.2	8.0	9.3	8.1	9.0	8.6	4.0
April	21.6	106.7	128.3	40.1	168.4	30.1	8.4	9.6	7.7	9.0	8.2	4.1
May	20.3	111.9	132.2	34.4	166.6	30.7	8.8	9.8	6.6	8.9	7.6	4.3
June	20.2	102.4	122.6	32.0	154.6	29.8	8.1	9.2	6.1	8.3	7.6	4.0
July	14.8	94.6	109.4	31.0	140.4	22.3	7.5	8.3	5.8	7.6	5.6 5.4	3.6
August September	14.3 15.2	100.3 100.2	114.6	31.1 34.3	145.7 149.7	22.9 22.9	8.0 7.8	8.7 8.5	5.9 6.6	7.9 8.0	5.4 5.7	3.9 3.8
October	18.1	93.7	115.4 111.7	34.3 31.5	149.7	26.6	7.8 7.3	8.3	6.0	8.0 7.7	5. <i>1</i> 6.8	3.6
November	14.9	93.4	108.3	31.1	139.4	23.5	7.3	8.1	6.0	7.5	5.6	3.6

	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS										UNEMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO		
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
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2000					SC	OUTH AUSTRAL	.IA						
September	5.1	35.6	40.7	12.1	52.9	21.4	7.0	7.6	5.9	7.1	5.0	3.2	
October	5.5	33.5	39.1	11.4	50.5	26.6	6.7	7.4	5.5	6.9	5.4	3.0	
November	6.0	35.8	41.8	10.4	52.2	26.6	7.1	7.9	5.1	7.1	5.9	3.2	
December	6.5	34.2	40.7	11.5	52.2	24.2	6.8	7.7	5.6	7.1	6.3	3.1	
2001													
January	6.5	36.0	42.4	13.0	55.5	24.1	7.3	8.2	6.4	7.7	6.3	3.3	
February	5.5	35.5	41.0	14.2	55.2	22.1	7.2	7.9	6.7	7.5	5.4	3.2	
March	5.1	34.7	39.7	11.2	50.9	24.2	7.1	7.8	5.2	7.1	4.9	3.1	
April	5.1	35.0	40.1	13.5	53.6	23.9	7.2	7.9	6.1	7.4	4.9	3.2	
May	6.9	36.2	43.1	12.8	56.0	30.0	7.4	8.4	6.0	7.7	6.7	3.3	
June	5.8	33.8	39.6	11.8	51.3	25.9	7.0	7.8	5.3	7.1	5.6	3.0	
July	6.8	35.3	42.0	10.6	52.6	28.0	7.2	8.2	5.0	7.3	6.6	3.2	
August	7.0	32.5	39.6	12.8	52.3	30.0	6.7	7.8	5.9	7.2	6.8	2.9	
September	6.3	35.1	41.4	11.3	52.7	27.2	7.1	8.0	5.2	7.2	6.1	3.2	
October	6.1	32.8	38.9	12.1	51.0	25.3	6.7	7.6	5.5	7.0	5.9	3.0	
November	5.2	32.9	38.1	10.8	49.0	24.5	6.6	7.4	5.0	6.7	5.0	3.0	
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2000													
September	4.5	37.7	42.2	13.2	55.3	14.7	5.5	5.9	4.7	5.6	3.2	2.8	
October	5.0	37.8	42.7	11.2	54.0	16.4	5.5	6.0	4.1	5.5	3.6	2.8	
November	7.7	39.3	47.1	11.7	58.7	21.4	5.8	6.5	4.3	5.9	5.5	2.9	
December	10.3	36.7	47.0	11.7	58.7	23.5	5.3	6.3	4.3	5.8	7.4	2.7	
2001													
January	9.7	44.3	54.0	13.6	67.7	23.5	6.4	7.4	5.0	6.8	6.9	3.3	
February	12.2	46.4	58.6	17.0	75.6	29.7	6.6	7.9	6.2	7.4	8.7	3.4	
March	8.4	47.6	56.0	19.5	75.5	24.6	6.9	7.8	6.7	7.5	6.0	3.5	
April	7.6	42.9	50.5	19.2	69.7	20.9	6.4	7.1	6.4	6.9	5.4	3.1	
May	8.0	45.3	53.3	18.0	71.2	21.5	6.7	7.5	6.2	7.1	5.6	3.3	
June	9.9	48.7	58.6	19.4	78.1	24.9	7.2	8.2	6.5	7.7	7.0	3.6	
July	7.9	45.2	53.1	13.2	66.3	19.6	6.7	7.4	4.6	6.6	5.6	3.3	
August	4.9	45.6	50.6	14.3	64.9	14.0	6.7	7.1	4.9	6.5	3.5	3.3	
September	9.1	44.7	53.8	17.2	71.0	23.4	6.6	7.5	5.9	7.0	6.4	3.3	
October	8.1	37.9	46.0	17.7	63.7	21.9	5.7	6.5	5.9	6.3	5.7	2.8	
November	8.4	38.2	46.6	13.7	60.3	23.4	5.6	6.5	4.7	6.0	5.9	2.8	
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2000													
September	2.0	14.6	16.6	3.7	20.3	25.1	10.0	10.8	5.6	9.2	5.8	4.3	
October	3.0	13.0	16.0	3.1	19.1	40.0	9.0	10.5	4.6	8.7	8.6	3.9	
November	2.5	12.5	15.0	3.9	18.8	31.7	8.5	9.6	5.9	8.5	7.1	3.7	
December	3.1	12.5	15.5	3.4	18.9	30.0	8.5	9.9	4.9	8.4	8.8	3.7	
2001													
January	2.8	13.4	16.3	5.1	21.3	28.4	9.4	10.6	7.5	9.6	8.2	4.0	
February	3.2	13.0	16.2	3.7	19.9	30.9	8.8	10.2	6.0	9.0	9.2	3.9	
March	1.9	12.6	14.4	4.0	18.4	23.4	8.6	9.3	6.2	8.4	5.4	3.7	
April	1.9	13.1	15.0	4.0	19.1	23.2	9.0	9.7	6.1	8.6	5.6	3.9	
May	1.6	11.5	13.1	3.6	16.7	19.7	8.0	8.7	5.4	7.7	4.6	3.4	
June	2.5	12.1	14.6	3.0	17.6	26.2	8.6	9.8	4.6	8.2	7.4	3.6	
July	2.8	13.2	15.9	3.1	19.0	28.5	9.4	10.6	4.7	8.8	8.0	3.9	
August	3.6	14.8	18.4	3.6	22.0	39.0	10.4	12.1	5.7	10.2	10.6	4.4	
September	3.5	13.2	16.6	4.7	21.4	36.1	8.8	10.5	7.6	9.7	10.0	3.9	
October	2.5	12.1	14.7	4.0	18.7	30.3	8.5	9.7	6.1	8.6	7.4	3.6	
November	2.5 2.9	13.1	16.0	2.7	18.7 18.7	30.3	9.0	9.7 10.3	4.2	8.5	7.4 8.5	3.9	
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	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS				ONS	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE							
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
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2000													
September	* 0.7	2.9	3.6	1.7	5.3	* 17.9	3.9	4.6	7.4	5.2	* 4.5	2.3	
October	* 0.3	2.8	3.2	0.9	4.0	* 9.2	3.8	4.1	3.8	4.0	* 2.3	2.3	
November	* 0.7	3.8	4.5	* 0.5	5.0	* 19.4	5.2	5.8	* 2.3	5.1	* 4.6	3.0	
December	1.2	4.2	5.5	* 0.8	6.3	34.4	5.7	7.0	* 3.5	6.2	8.4	3.3	
2001													
January	1.6	4.2	5.8	1.0	6.7	35.6	5.8	7.5	5.1	7.1	10.7	3.3	
February	* 0.6	5.0	5.6	0.8	6.4	* 14.6	6.8	7.2	4.1	6.6	* 3.9	3.9	
March	* 0.5	3.3	3.8	* 0.8	4.5	* 15.5	4.4	4.9	* 3.7	4.6	* 3.5	2.6	
April	* 0.8	3.9	4.7	1.4	6.2	* 22.4	5.1	6.0	6.3	6.0	* 5.7	3.1	
May	* 0.6	3.8	4.4	2.7	7.1	* 17.0	5.1	5.6	12.5	7.1	* 3.8	3.0	
June	* 0.8	3.5	4.3	3.4	7.6	* 22.2	4.7	5.5	11.6	7.1	* 5.2	2.7	
July	* 0.6	3.1	3.7	3.7	7.4	* 15.3	4.2	4.7	13.5	7.0	* 3.9	2.5	
August	* 0.6	3.3	4.0	3.8	7.8	* 20.4	4.6	5.2	13.2	7.4	* 4.2	2.6	
September	* 0.7	3.8	4.4	2.1	6.5	* 22.2	4.8	5.5	7.8	6.0	* 4.5	2.9	
October	1.0	4.1	5.1	2.7	7.8	29.3	5.5	6.5	9.8	7.4	6.8	3.2	
November	* 0.9	4.5	5.5	3.1	8.6	* 28.2	6.1	7.0	11.1	8.1	* 6.4	3.5	
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2000				F	AUSTRALIAN	CAPITAL	IERRIIOR	r					
September	* 0.9	4.2	5.1	3.0	8.2	* 22.3	3.3	3.9	6.4	4.5	* 3.8	1.9	
October	* 0.6	4.5	5.0	1.9	7.0	* 19.9	3.5	3.9	4.0	3.9	* 2.4	2.0	
November	* 0.9	4.4	5.3	2.1	7.5	* 25.4	3.5	4.1	4.4	4.2	* 3.9	2.0	
December	* 0.6	5.1	5.7	1.7	7.4	* 16.6	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.1	* 2.6	2.3	
2001	0.0	5.1	5.1	1.7	7.4	10.0	0.0	4.5	3.0	7.1	2.0	2.0	
January	* 1.0	5.3	6.2	2.7	8.9	* 23.9	4.1	4.7	6.4	5.1	* 4.0	2.4	
February	* 0.6	5.6	6.3	3.7	10.0	* 18.3	4.4	4.7	8.7	5.7	* 2.7	2.6	
March	1.5	4.3	5.8	3.0	8.8	31.8	3.4	4.4	6.6	4.9	6.1	2.0	
April	1.3	5.5	6.7	3.0	9.8	28.3	4.4	5.2	6.4	5.5	5.3	2.5	
May	* 0.9	6.2	7.2	2.4	9.6	* 24.7	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.4	* 3.9	2.8	
June	1.5	6.1	7.6	2.2	9.8	35.0	4.9	5.9	4.5	5.5	6.2	2.8	
July	* 0.8	5.6	6.4	3.5	9.9	* 21.3	4.5	5.0	7.3	5.6	* 3.5	2.5	
August	* 0.9	5.1	6.0	1.9	7.9	* 20.7	4.2	4.8	4.1	4.6	* 3.9	2.3	
September	* 1.0	4.8	5.7	2.3	8.0	* 21.3	3.8	4.4	4.7	4.5	* 4.1	2.2	
October	1.2	4.3	5.5	1.5	7.0	30.0	3.4	4.3	3.3	4.0	5.1	1.9	
November	* 0.9	3.9	4.8	2.0	6.7	* 22.0	3.1	3.7	4.5	3.9	* 3.7	1.7	
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	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					TREND							
	Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Civilian population aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000
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2000						MALES							
September	1 506.2	1 727.2	99.4	5.4	71.8		1 507.9	1 722.9	100.6	5.5	71.7		2 543.5
October	1 500.4	1 721.0	101.2	5.6	71.6		1 500.6	1 718.1	102.5	5.6	71.5		2 545.5
November	1 493.5	1 710.1	103.8	5.7	71.2		1 493.6	1 712.0	104.8	5.8	71.3		2 547.4
December 2001	1 489.6	1 709.4	109.5	6.0	71.3		1 488.3	1 706.0	107.0	5.9	71.1		2 549.4
January	1 479.0	1 697.7	110.0	6.1	70.9		1 485.4	1 701.8	108.7	6.0	71.0		2 551.3
February	1 480.0	1 692.5	114.7	6.3	70.8		1 484.3	1 700.5	109.7	6.1	70.9		2 553.2
March	1 491.3	1 701.9	103.4	5.7	70.7		1 484.1	1 702.5	110.2	6.1	70.9		2 555.1
April	1 484.9	1 711.3	108.7	6.0	71.2		1 484.1	1 707.1	110.2	6.1	71.1		2 557.6
May	1 488.3	1 716.6	111.5	6.1	71.4		1 484.3	1 712.7	110.1	6.0	71.2		2 560.1
June	1 483.1 1 472.0	1 713.9	115.1	6.3 6.2	71.4		1 484.3	1 717.8	110.4	6.0	71.3		2 562.7
July August	1 472.0	1 720.2 1 730.3	113.0 102.6	5.6	71.5 71.4		1 484.0 1 483.7	1 720.9 1 722.2	111.4 112.8	6.1 6.1	71.4 71.4		2 565.6 2 568.4
September	1 489.4	1 721.5	115.5	6.3	71.4		1 483.6	1 722.2	114.4	6.2	71.4		2 571.3
October	1 483.8	1 721.3	120.5	6.5	71.5		1 483.3	1 722.3	116.1	6.3	71.4		2 574.3
November	1 477.1	1 717.2	119.7	6.5	71.3		1 482.6	1 721.5	117.8	6.4	71.4		2 577.3
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						FEMALES							
2000	707.0	4 222 5	70.0	F 0	F2 F		700.4	4 224 4	60.0	F 0	F2.0		0.000.0
September October	797.2	1 333.5	70.2	5.0	53.5		792.4	1 334.1	69.8 69.9	5.0 5.0	53.6		2 622.0
November	778.7 787.2	1 325.2 1 318.2	67.6 72.7	4.9 5.2	53.1 53.0		788.4 786.2	1 330.6 1 328.0	70.7	5.0 5.1	53.4 53.3		2 623.5 2 624.9
December	780.7	1 324.0	74.7	5.3	53.3		786.1	1 328.0	71.7	5.1	53.3		2 626.4
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January	785.2	1 337.6	69.5	4.9	53.6		788.5	1 331.5	72.7	5.2	53.4		2 627.7
February	793.5	1 339.6	76.1	5.4	53.8		792.2	1 337.0	73.6	5.2	53.7		2 629.0
March	809.3	1 333.8	71.5	5.1	53.4		795.1	1 342.7	75.0	5.3	53.9		2 630.3
April	787.6	1 358.8	78.6	5.5	54.6		796.3	1 346.9	76.8	5.4	54.1		2 632.3
May	790.7	1 348.1	77.9	5.5	54.1		795.2	1 349.1	79.3	5.5	54.2		2 634.2
June	803.6	1 346.5	85.5	6.0	54.3		791.5	1 349.0	82.2	5.7	54.3		2 636.2
July August	778.1 781.2	1 338.8	79.0	5.6	53.7 55.2		786.0	1 347.2	85.0	5.9 6.1	54.3 54.2		2 638.7 2 641.3
September	781.2 782.5	1 364.9 1 333.1	93.3 86.9	6.4 6.1	53.7		779.8 773.5	1 344.3 1 340.9	87.5 89.5	6.3	54.2 54.1		2 643.8
October	755.9	1 330.0	96.0	6.7	53.9		767.5	1 337.4	91.0	6.4	54.0		2 646.5
November	760.5	1 336.2	87.9	6.2	53.8		761.7	1 335.0	92.1	6.5	53.9		2 649.2
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2002						PERSONS							
2000 September	2 303.4	3 060.6	169.6	5.3	62.5		2 300.3	3 056 0	170.4	5.3	62.5		5 165.5
October	2 303.4	3 060.6 3 046.2	169.6 168.8	5.3 5.3	62.5 62.2		2 300.3	3 056.9 3 048.8	170.4 172.4	5.3 5.4	62.5 62.3		5 165.5 5 169.0
November	2 280.7	3 040.2	176.5	5.5	62.0		2 279.8	3 040.0	175.6	5.5	62.2		5 172.4
December	2 270.3	3 033.4	184.2	5.7	62.2		2 274.4	3 034.0	178.7	5.6	62.1		5 175.8
2001													
January	2 264.2	3 035.3	179.5	5.6	62.1		2 273.9	3 033.3	181.3	5.6	62.1		5 179.0
February	2 273.5	3 032.1	190.8	5.9	62.2		2 276.5	3 037.5	183.3	5.7	62.2		5 182.2
March	2 300.6	3 035.7	174.9	5.4	61.9		2 279.3	3 045.2	185.2	5.7	62.3		5 185.4
April	2 272.5	3 070.1	187.3	5.7	62.8		2 280.4	3 053.9	187.0	5.8	62.4		5 189.9
May	2 279.0	3 064.7	189.4	5.8	62.6		2 279.4	3 061.8	189.4	5.8	62.6		5 194.4
June	2 286.7	3 060.4	200.6	6.2	62.7		2 275.8	3 066.8	192.6	5.9	62.7		5 198.9
July	2 250.1	3 059.1	191.9	5.9	62.5		2 270.0	3 068.2	196.4	6.0	62.7		5 204.3
August	2 271.4	3 095.2	195.9	6.0	63.2		2 263.5	3 066.5	200.3	6.1	62.7		5 209.7
September October	2 271.9 2 239.7	3 054.6 3 051.2	202.4 216.5	6.2 6.6	62.5 62.6		2 257.0 2 250.8	3 063.5 3 059.7	203.9 207.2	6.2 6.3	62.7 62.6		5 215.1 5 220.8
November	2 239.7	3 051.2	216.5	6.4	62.4		2 244.2	3 059.7 3 056.5	210.0	6.4	62.5		5 220.8 5 226.5
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⁽a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised.

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					TREND						
	Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate		Civilian population aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000
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2000						MALES						
September	1 118.3	1 288.0	81.9	6.0	73.1		1 120.2	1 289.9	82.1	6.0	73.2	1 874.1
October	1 125.6	1 295.4	83.9	6.1	73.5		1 126.4	1 295.6	82.9	6.0	73.4	1 877.1
November	1 137.6	1 301.3	84.4	6.1	73.7		1 129.9	1 299.7	83.8	6.1	73.6	1 880.1
December	1 134.5	1 300.3	85.9	6.2	73.6		1 130.5	1 301.9	84.5	6.1	73.6	1 883.1
2001												
January	1 129.0	1 305.5	82.4	5.9	73.6		1 128.8	1 302.9	84.7	6.1	73.6	1 886.0
February	1 118.9	1 310.0	84.4	6.1	73.8		1 125.5	1 302.8	84.5	6.1	73.4	1 888.9
March	1 117.0	1 290.7	84.3	6.1	72.7		1 121.2	1 302.0	84.3	6.1	73.3	1 891.8
April	1 123.7	1 302.3	88.7	6.4	73.4		1 117.3	1 301.1	84.1	6.1	73.1	1 894.3
May	1 114.9	1 301.1	81.6	5.9	72.9		1 114.0	1 300.7	84.5	6.1	73.0	1 896.8
June	1 115.4	1 304.9	82.2	5.9	73.0		1 112.1	1 300.9	85.7	6.2	73.0	1 899.3
July	1 102.7	1 298.2	88.5	6.4	72.9		1 111.7	1 301.5	87.5	6.3	73.0	1 901.8
August	1 108.6	1 300.9	89.7	6.5	73.0		1 112.7	1 302.1	89.6	6.4	73.1	1 904.4
September	1 120.3	1 305.1	90.2	6.5	73.2		1 115.0	1 302.6	91.6	6.6	73.1	1 906.9
October November	1 114.3 1 130.5	1 300.8	102.4 87.3	7.3 6.3	73.5 72.8		1 118.0 1 121.6	1 302.9	93.1	6.7 6.8	73.1 73.1	1 910.0
November	1 130.5	1 305.3	81.3	6.3	12.8		1 121.0	1 303.5	94.5	0.8	73.1	1 913.1
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2000						FEMALES						
September	562.7	1 005.6	62.5	5.9	54.7		564.5	1 006.8	61.0	5.7	54.7	1 952.8
October	569.9	1 007.1	60.2	5.6	54.6		565.4	1 005.5	59.7	5.6	54.5	1 955.3
November	567.5	1 000.0	57.9	5.5	54.0		566.1	1 005.1	59.3	5.6	54.4	1 957.8
December	564.1	1 000.4	57.8	5.5	54.0		567.4	1 006.4	60.1	5.6	54.4	1 960.3
2001												
January	565.6	1 011.8	62.3	5.8	54.7		569.0	1 008.9	61.9	5.8	54.6	1 962.7
February	570.1	1 014.4	65.5	6.1	55.0		569.8	1 011.4	64.6	6.0	54.8	1 965.0
March	571.8	1 019.3	67.6	6.2	55.2		568.8	1 013.0	67.6	6.3	54.9	1 967.4
April	570.9	1 008.2	67.0	6.2	54.6		566.4	1 013.5	69.8	6.4	55.0	1 969.3
May	569.2	1 015.0	76.6	7.0	55.4		563.2	1 013.2	70.5	6.5	55.0	1 971.3
June	554.5	1 011.4	70.7	6.5	54.8		560.6	1 012.9	70.0	6.5	54.9	1 973.3
July August	546.5	1 007.7 1 022.1	68.5	6.4 6.1	54.5 55.1		559.8	1 013.6	68.9	6.4 6.3	54.8 54.8	1 975.4 1 977.5
September	561.0 573.0	1 022.1	66.6 60.8	5.7	54.3		561.0 563.6	1 015.2 1 017.0	67.9 67.4	6.2	54.8	1 977.5
October	568.3	1 013.0	72.0	6.6	55.0		566.4	1 017.0	67.4	6.2	54.8	1 982.3
November	568.6	1 022.8	69.9	6.4	55.1		569.1	1 020.1	67.3	6.2	54.8	1 984.8
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2000						. 2.1.00110						
September	1 681.0	2 293.6	144.4	5.9	63.7		1 684.8	2 296.7	143.1	5.9	63.8	3 826.8
October	1 695.6	2 302.5	144.1	5.9	63.8		1 691.8	2 301.2	142.6	5.8	63.8	3 832.4
November	1 705.1	2 301.2	142.3	5.8	63.7		1 696.0	2 304.8	143.1	5.8	63.8	3 837.9
December	1 698.6	2 300.6	143.7	5.9	63.6		1 697.9	2 308.3	144.5	5.9	63.8	3 843.4
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January	1 694.7	2 317.4	144.7	5.9	64.0		1 697.8	2 311.8	146.6	6.0	63.9	3 848.7
February	1 689.0	2 324.5	149.9	6.1	64.2		1 695.3	2 314.2	149.1	6.1	63.9	3 853.9
March April	1 688.8	2 310.0	151.8	6.2	63.8		1 690.1	2 315.0	151.9	6.2	63.9	3 859.2
May	1 694.6 1 684.1	2 310.5 2 316.1	155.7 158.2	6.3 6.4	63.8 64.0		1 683.6 1 677.2	2 314.7 2 314.0	153.9 155.0	6.2 6.3	63.9 63.8	3 863.6 3 868.1
June	1 669.9	2 316.1	158.2	6.2	63.8		1 677.2	2 314.0	155.7	6.3	63.8	3 872.6
July	1 649.2	2 316.3	152.9	6.4	63.5		1 672.7	2 315.6	156.4	6.3	63.7	3 877.2
August	1 669.6	2 323.0	156.3	6.3	63.9		1 673.7	2 315.1	157.6	6.4	63.7	3 881.9
September	1 693.3	2 320.2	151.1	6.1	63.6		1 678.6	2 319.6	159.0	6.4	63.8	3 886.6
October	1 682.5	2 318.3	174.3	7.0	64.0		1 684.4	2 321.8	160.5	6.5	63.8	3 892.3
November	1 699.1	2 328.1	157.2	6.3	63.8		1 690.8	2 323.6	161.8	6.5	63.8	3 897.9
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	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED				TREND							
				Unemp-	Partic-					Unemp-	Partic-	Civilian population
	Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	loyment rate	ipation rate		Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	loyment rate	ipation rate	aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000
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2000						MALES						
September	830.8	951.3	76.4	7.4	73.7		825.3	948.7	75.7	7.4	73.5	1 394.2
October	818.9	942.6	73.6	7.2	72.8		822.1	945.4	76.0	7.4	73.2	1 396.2
November	814.5	938.3	78.5	7.7	72.7		818.7	941.8	77.1	7.6	72.9	1 398.1
December	825.0	948.4	77.5	7.6	73.3		816.0	938.9	79.3	7.8	72.7	1 400.1
2001												
January	808.1	931.3	82.4	8.1	72.3		813.8	936.9	82.8	8.1	72.7	1 402.3
February	806.9	929.4	86.3	8.5	72.3		811.9	935.7	86.9	8.5	72.8	1 404.4
March	814.9	941.3	89.3	8.7	73.3		809.8	935.5	90.6	8.8	73.0	1 406.6
April	810.5	935.8	95.0	9.2	73.2		807.5	936.2	93.0	9.0	73.1	1 408.5
May	810.2	942.6	99.0	9.5	73.8		805.8	938.1	93.6	9.1	73.1	1 410.5
June	796.2	933.0	93.5	9.1	72.7		805.3	940.9	92.4	8.9	73.2	1 412.4
July	803.9	942.0	85.2	8.3	72.6		806.1	944.1	90.1	8.7	73.1	1 414.5
August	804.7	953.8	87.4	8.4	73.5		807.9	947.2	87.7	8.5	73.0	1 416.6
September	817.8	949.8	86.9	8.4	73.1		810.2	950.1	85.7	8.3	73.0	1 418.8
October November	816.7	954.6	81.7	7.9	72.9		812.4	952.6	84.1	8.1	73.0	1 420.8
November	809.9	951.5	85.5	8.2	72.9		814.3	954.2	83.0	8.0	72.9	1 422.8
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2000												
September	416.1	747.8	55.7	6.9	56.5		414.8	749.0	57.5	7.1	56.7	1 421.3
October	418.4	743.9	59.9	7.5	56.5		415.8	749.0	58.9	7.3	56.7	1 423.6
November	415.9	744.0	60.3	7.5	56.4		415.8	749.0	60.5	7.5	56.8	1 425.9
December	412.8	752.1	65.4	8.0	57.2		415.2	749.6	62.5	7.7	56.9	1 428.3
2001												
January	409.2	755.7	60.5	7.4	57.0		415.2	751.2	64.7	7.9	57.0	1 430.7
February	418.1	752.2	66.9	8.2	57.2		415.4	753.6	66.7	8.1	57.2	1 433.2
March	422.6	755.0	68.0	8.3	57.3		415.2	756.0	68.2	8.3	57.4	1 435.6
April	407.8	756.1	72.9	8.8	57.7 57.7		414.4	758.2	68.8	8.3	57.5 57.6	1 437.8
May	416.9	761.6	69.9	8.4 7.9	57.7 57.3		413.1	760.2	68.6	8.3	57.6	1 440.1
June July	415.9 399.2	760.8 766.1	65.5 64.7	7.9 7.8	57.5		411.8 411.1	761.8 762.7	67.7 66.5	8.2 8.0	57.5 57.4	1 442.3 1 444.7
August	412.8	765.0	66.3	8.0	57.4		411.1	762.7	65.5	7.9	57.2	1 447.1
September	417.0	759.0	63.0	7.7	56.7		411.8	762.7	64.8	7.8	57.1	1 449.5
October	412.2	760.9	68.3	8.2	57.1		412.6	761.6	64.2	7.8	56.9	1 451.8
November	412.4	760.5	61.6	7.5	56.5		412.7	760.8	63.9	7.8	56.7	1 454.1
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2000					F	PERSONS						
September	1 246.9	1 699.1	132.1	7.2	65.0		1 240.1	1 697.8	133.3	7.3	65.0	2 815.5
October	1 237.2	1 686.4	133.5	7.3	64.5		1 237.9	1 694.4	134.8	7.4	64.9	2 819.8
November	1 230.4	1 682.3	138.8	7.6	64.5		1 234.5	1 690.8	137.6	7.5	64.7	2 824.1
December	1 237.8	1 700.5	142.9	7.8	65.2		1 231.3	1 688.5	141.8	7.7	64.7	2 828.4
2001											*	
January	1 217.3	1 687.0	142.9	7.8	64.6		1 229.0	1 688.1	147.5	8.0	64.8	2 833.0
February	1 225.0	1 681.5	153.2	8.3	64.7		1 227.3	1 689.3	153.6	8.3	64.9	2 837.6
March	1 237.5	1 696.3	157.3	8.5	65.2		1 225.0	1 691.4	158.8	8.6	65.1	2 842.2
April	1 218.2	1 691.9	167.8	9.0	65.3		1 221.9	1 694.4	161.8	8.7	65.2	2 846.4
May	1 227.1	1 704.1	168.9	9.0	65.7		1 218.9	1 698.2	162.3	8.7	65.3	2 850.6
June	1 212.1	1 693.7	159.0	8.6	64.9		1 217.1	1 702.7	160.2	8.6	65.3	2 854.7
July	1 203.1	1 708.2	149.9	8.1	65.0		1 217.2	1 706.8	156.6	8.4	65.2	2 859.3
August	1 217.6	1 718.7	153.7	8.2	65.4		1 219.1	1 709.9	153.1	8.2	65.1	2 863.8
September	1 234.8	1 708.8	149.9	8.1	64.8		1 222.0	1 712.4	150.4	8.1	64.9	2 868.3
October	1 229.0	1 715.6	150.0	8.0	64.9		1 225.0	1 714.2	148.3	8.0	64.9	2 872.6
November	1 222.2	1 712.0	147.1	7.9	64.6		1 227.0	1 715.0	146.9	7.9	64.8	2 876.9
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	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					TREND							
	Employed full time		Total d unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Employed full time		Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Civilian population aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000
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2000						MALES							
September	328.3	382.6	31.9	7.7	70.2		328.7	382.9	32.0	7.7	70.2		590.7
October	328.1	383.2	31.6	7.6	70.2		327.8	381.9	31.6	7.6	70.0		591.0
November	326.8	380.5	31.8	7.7	69.7		326.1	380.2	31.5	7.7	69.6		591.3
December	323.3	374.8	31.8	7.8	68.7		324.0	378.0	31.8	7.8	69.3		591.5
2001													
January	323.1	378.4	32.1	7.8	69.4		321.6	375.8	32.2	7.9	68.9		591.8
February	320.7	375.7	32.4	7.9	68.9		319.3	373.9	32.7	8.1	68.7		592.0
March	312.4	368.5	32.5	8.1	67.7		317.4	372.4	33.4	8.2	68.5		592.3
April	316.2	370.9	35.2	8.7	68.5		316.1	371.5	34.0	8.4	68.4		592.6
May	319.6	373.7	35.0	8.6	68.9		315.4	371.2	34.3	8.5	68.4		592.9
June	313.3	371.3	32.5	8.1	68.1		315.4	371.6	34.2	8.4	68.4		593.1
July	313.7	370.2	36.4	9.0	68.5		315.9	372.4	33.8	8.3	68.4		593.5
August	318.3	374.5	32.4	8.0	68.5		316.5	373.4	33.3	8.2	68.5		593.9
September	316.8	374.7	31.4	7.7	68.3		317.1	374.4	32.7	8.0	68.5		594.3
October	318.0	375.2	32.8	8.0	68.6		317.7	375.2	32.3	7.9	68.5		594.5
November	318.9	376.7	32.0	7.8	68.7		318.2	375.9	32.0	7.8	68.6		594.8
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2000						FEMALES	•						
September	162.4	299.8	20.5	6.4	52.0		158.7	298.6	21.3	6.7	51.9		616.0
October	156.4	298.0	20.5	6.4	51.7		158.4	298.2	20.9	6.6	51.8		616.3
November	156.5	296.2	21.3	6.7	51.5		157.5	297.7	20.4	6.4	51.6		616.6
December	155.7	296.6	20.0	6.3	51.3		156.6	297.7	19.7	6.2	51.5		616.9
2001													
January	156.8	297.0	19.2	6.1	51.3		155.9	298.4	19.1	6.0	51.5		617.0
February	155.4	302.0	18.7	5.8	52.0		155.6	299.8	18.8	5.9	51.6		617.2
March	156.4	301.1	17.0	5.3	51.5		155.5	301.5	18.8	5.9	51.9		617.4
April	153.3	302.3	19.6	6.1	52.1		155.5	302.8	19.3	6.0	52.1		617.6
May	156.4	304.1	20.3	6.2	52.5		155.3	303.4	20.0	6.2	52.3		617.9
June	156.1	305.4	21.4	6.5	52.9		155.2	303.5	20.6	6.4	52.4		618.2
July	156.2	302.5	21.0	6.5	52.3		155.3	303.4	20.9	6.5	52.4		618.6
August	151.8	303.0	21.3	6.6	52.4		155.4	303.4	20.8	6.4	52.4		619.0
September	158.4	301.5	20.8	6.5	52.0		155.8	303.7	20.4	6.3	52.3		619.4
October	153.6	303.9	19.8	6.1	52.2		156.2	304.2	19.8	6.1	52.3		619.6
November	159.2	307.8	17.7	5.4	52.5		156.6	304.7	19.2	5.9	52.3		619.9
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2000						PERSONS	ر						
September	490.7	682.4	52.4	7.1	60.9		487.4	681.5	53.3	7.3	60.9		1 206.8
October	484.5	681.3	52.1	7.1	60.7		486.2	680.1	52.5	7.2	60.7		1 207.3
November	483.4	676.8	53.1	7.3	60.4		483.7	677.9	51.9	7.1	60.4		1 207.9
December	479.0	671.4	51.8	7.2	59.9		480.5	675.7	51.5	7.1	60.2		1 208.4
2001													
January	480.0	675.4	51.4	7.1	60.1		477.5	674.2	51.3	7.1	60.0		1 208.8
February	476.1	677.7	51.1	7.0	60.3		474.9	673.7	51.5	7.1	60.0		1 209.2
March	468.7	669.6	49.5	6.9	59.4		472.9	673.9	52.2	7.2	60.0		1 209.7
April	469.4	673.3	54.8	7.5	60.2		471.5	674.3	53.2	7.3	60.1		1 210.2
May	476.0	677.9	55.2	7.5	60.6		470.7	674.7	54.3	7.4	60.2		1 210.8
June	469.5	676.7	53.9	7.4	60.3		470.6	675.1	54.9	7.5	60.3		1 211.3
July	469.9	672.7	57.4	7.9	60.2		471.2	675.8	54.8	7.5	60.3		1 212.1
August	470.1	677.6	53.7	7.3	60.3		471.9	676.8	54.1	7.4	60.3		1 212.9
September	475.3	676.2	52.3	7.2	60.0		472.9	678.0	53.1	7.3	60.3		1 213.6
October	471.6	679.1	52.6	7.2	60.3		473.9	679.4	52.1	7.1	60.2		1 214.2
November	478.1	684.5	49.7	6.8	60.4		474.8	680.6	51.2	7.0	60.3		1 214.7

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	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					TREND.						
	Employed full time		Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate			Employed full time		Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate		Civilian population aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000
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2000						MALES						
2000 September	450.1	522.4	35.3	6.3	74.8		454.0	524.2	35.2	6.3	75.0	745.7
October	450.1	522.4	35.5	6.4	74.6		453.9	524.2	35.5	6.3	74.9	745.7
November	453.3	523.0	35.4	6.3	74.7		454.3	524.4	36.0	6.4	75.0	747.6
December	458.8	526.2	36.0	6.4	75.1		454.7	525.3	36.9	6.6	75.1	748.6
2001												
January	454.7	528.2	36.4	6.4	75.3		454.7	526.1	38.3	6.8	75.3	749.6
February	459.0	529.7	41.2	7.2	76.1		454.2	526.8	40.0	7.1	75.5	750.6
March	447.5	523.1	44.4	7.8	75.5		453.4	527.0	41.7	7.3	75.7	751.5
April	452.1	528.3	42.4	7.4	75.8		452.5	526.9	43.0	7.5	75.7	752.5
May	451.0 454.4	524.0 528.8	41.1	7.3 8.0	75.0 76.2		451.9 451.0	526.8	43.8	7.7 7.7	75.7 75.6	753.5
June July	454.4 453.9	529.4	45.8 43.6	7.6	76.2 75.8		451.9 452.4	526.8 527.3	43.9 43.4	7.7 7.6	75.6 75.5	754.4 755.5
August	453.9 452.9	526.9	43.6	7.6	75.8 75.4		453.4	527.3	42.6	7.5	75.5 75.4	755.5 756.6
September	450.4	525.6	41.5	7.3	74.8		454.6	529.1	41.5	7.3	75.4 75.3	757.7
October	453.6	529.7	40.0	7.0	75.1		456.0	530.2	40.4	7.1	75.2	758.9
November	464.8	536.2	37.3	6.5	75.5		457.7	531.7	39.3	6.9	75.2	760.0
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						FEMALES						
2000												
September	218.1	412.3	19.2	4.4	57.8		215.6	408.6	22.5	5.2	57.8	746.5
October	219.2	411.4	22.9	5.3	58.1		218.1	411.1	22.6	5.2	58.0	747.4
November December	219.7	410.3	25.9	5.9	58.3		220.1	413.1	23.0	5.3	58.3	748.4
2001	221.2	416.2	23.2	5.3	58.6		221.4	414.4	23.4	5.3	58.4	749.4
January	218.8	414.8	24.1	5.5	58.5		221.6	415.0	24.2	5.5	58.5	750.3
February	223.2	414.3	23.6	5.4	58.3		220.5	414.8	25.6	5.8	58.6	751.3
March	222.6	414.0	26.0	5.9	58.5		218.1	413.9	27.4	6.2	58.7	752.2
April	213.5	415.9	28.5	6.4	59.0		215.0	412.5	29.2	6.6	58.6	753.2
May	212.0	409.9	32.5	7.3	58.7		212.0	410.8	30.6	6.9	58.5	754.2
June	205.3	407.5	36.5	8.2	58.8		209.8	409.7	31.1	7.0	58.4	755.2
July	205.1	405.3	28.7	6.6	57.4		208.8	409.4	30.5	6.9	58.2	756.3
August	212.3	413.9	25.9	5.9	58.1		208.6	409.9	29.4	6.7	58.0	757.3
September October	212.9 206.1	410.1 411.6	28.5 29.1	6.5 6.6	57.8 58.0		208.6 208.6	411.0 412.2	28.3 27.3	6.4 6.2	57.9 57.9	758.4 759.5
November	200.1	411.0	25.6	5.8	58.1		208.5	412.2	26.4	6.0	57.9 57.9	760.5
November	201.0	410.0	20.0	5.0	30.1		200.5	410.7	20.4	0.0	51.5	700.5
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2000												
September	668.2	934.7	54.4	5.5	66.3		669.6	932.8	57.6	5.8	66.4	1 492.2
October	670.5	933.0	58.4	5.9	66.4		672.0	935.1	58.1	5.8	66.5	1 494.1
November	673.0	933.3	61.4	6.2	66.5		674.4	937.5	59.0	5.9	66.6	1 496.1
December	680.0	942.4	59.2	5.9	66.9		676.1	939.6	60.3	6.0	66.8	1 498.0
2001	672.6	0.42-1	60 E	6.0	66.0		676 /	041.1	60.5	6.2	66.0	1 499.9
January February	673.6 682.2	943.1 943.9	60.5 64.8	6.0 6.4	66.9 67.2		676.4 674.8	941.1 941.5	62.5 65.6	6.5	66.9 67.1	1 501.9
March	670.2	943.9	70.4	7.0	67.0		671.5	941.5	69.1	6.8	67.2	1 501.9
April	665.6	944.2	70.4	7.0	67.4		667.6	939.4	72.1	7.1	67.2	1 505.7
May	663.0	933.9	73.6	7.3	66.8		664.0	937.6	74.4	7.3	67.1	1 507.7
June	659.7	936.3	82.3	8.1	67.5		661.7	936.5	74.9	7.4	67.0	1 509.6
July	658.9	934.7	72.4	7.2	66.6		661.2	936.7	73.9	7.3	66.8	1 511.8
August	665.2	940.8	69.5	6.9	66.7		662.0	938.0	72.0	7.1	66.7	1 514.0
September	663.4	935.6	70.0	7.0	66.3		663.2	940.1	69.8	6.9	66.6	1 516.2
October	659.7	941.3	69.1	6.8	66.5		664.6	942.4	67.7	6.7	66.5	1 518.3
November	672.1	952.2	62.9	6.2	66.8		666.2	945.3	65.6	6.5	66.5	1 520.5
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⁽a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised.

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					TREND						
	Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate		Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate	Civilian populatior aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%		'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000
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2000						MALES						
September	94.2	110.9	12.4	10.1	68.2		94.5	111.2	12.2	9.9	68.3	180.6
October	94.2	110.9	12.4	9.9	68.1		94.5	111.6	12.2	9.9	68.5	180.7
November	94.9	112.3	12.2	9.8	68.9		94.6	112.0	12.2	9.9	68.7	180.8
December	95.3	112.8	11.8	9.5	68.9		94.9	112.1	12.3	9.9	68.8	180.8
2001	00.0	112.0	11.0	0.0	00.0		0		12.0	0.0	00.0	200.0
January	93.7	112.5	12.5	10.0	69.1		95.3	112.1	12.3	9.9	68.8	180.9
February	96.6	111.7	12.9	10.3	68.9		95.5	111.7	12.3	9.9	68.5	180.9
March	96.3	111.1	11.2	9.2	67.6		95.5	111.2	12.2	9.9	68.2	181.0
April	94.6	109.6	13.1	10.7	67.8		95.2	110.4	12.1	9.9	67.7	181.0
May	95.0	110.1	11.9	9.7	67.4		94.8	109.7	12.1	9.9	67.3	181.0
June	94.4	110.1	11.4	9.4	67.1		94.4	109.2	12.2	10.0	67.1	181.0
July	93.8	108.9	11.9	9.8	66.7		94.0	109.0	12.3	10.2	67.0	181.1
August	92.4	107.0	13.4	11.1	66.5		93.7	109.0	12.6	10.3	67.1	181.1
September	95.5	109.6	13.3	10.8	67.9		93.6	109.2	12.8	10.5	67.3	181.2
October	92.1	109.8	12.3	10.1	67.4		93.5	109.5	12.9	10.5	67.6	181.2
November	94.2	111.0	12.9	10.4	68.4		93.4	109.9	13.0	10.6	67.8	181.2
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2000					ŀ	FEMALES						
September	43.5	88.6	7.7	8.0	50.5		44.0	89.7	7.3	7.5	50.9	190.6
October	43.3	90.4	6.8	7.0	51.0		43.8	89.9	7.2	7.5	50.9	190.7
November	44.7	90.3	7.3	7.5	51.1		43.8	90.1	7.2	7.4	50.9	190.8
December	43.7	91.2	6.6	6.8	51.2		43.8	90.2	7.0	7.2	50.9	190.9
2001												
January	43.2	89.2	7.8	8.0	50.7		43.7	90.2	6.8	7.0	50.8	191.0
February	44.1	90.5	6.0	6.3	50.5		43.5	90.0	6.7	6.9	50.6	191.1
March	43.1	89.1	6.7	7.0	50.1		43.1	89.6	6.6	6.8	50.3	191.2
April	43.4	89.8	7.0	7.2	50.6		42.7	89.2	6.6	6.9	50.1	191.2
May	42.3	89.4	6.0	6.3	49.8		42.5	88.9	6.8	7.1	50.0	191.3
June	41.8	88.3	6.7	7.0	49.6		42.8	88.8	7.1	7.4	50.1	191.4
July	42.4	87.9	8.2	8.6	50.2		43.3	88.9	7.3	7.6	50.2	191.5
August	43.8	88.7	7.7	8.0	50.3		44.1	89.2	7.4	7.6	50.4	191.6
September	47.4	90.5	7.8	8.0	51.3		44.8	89.6	7.3	7.5	50.6	191.7
October	45.1	90.4	6.3	6.5	50.4		45.4	90.1	7.1	7.3	50.7	191.7
November	44.9	90.7	6.6	6.7	50.7		45.9	90.5	7.0	7.2	50.8	191.8
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2000					٢	PERSONS						
September	137.7	199.4	20.1	9.1	59.1		138.5	201.0	19.5	8.8	59.4	371.2
October	137.6	201.2	19.0	8.6	59.3		138.3	201.5	19.4	8.8	59.5	371.4
November	139.6	202.5	19.6	8.8	59.8		138.4	202.1	19.4	8.8	59.6	371.6
December	138.9	204.0	18.5	8.3	59.8		138.7	202.3	19.3	8.7	59.6	371.8
2001												
January	136.9	201.6	20.2	9.1	59.7		139.0	202.3	19.1	8.6	59.5	371.9
February	140.7	202.2	18.9	8.6	59.4		139.0	201.7	18.9	8.6	59.3	372.0
March	139.4	200.2	17.9	8.2	58.6		138.6	200.8	18.8	8.5	59.0	372.1
April	138.0	199.3	20.1	9.2	59.0		137.9	199.7	18.7	8.6	58.7	372.2
May	137.3	199.4	17.8	8.2	58.4		137.4	198.6	18.9	8.7	58.4	372.3
June	136.1	198.4	18.1	8.4	58.1		137.1	198.0	19.3	8.9	58.3	372.4
July	136.2	196.9	20.1	9.3	58.3		137.3	197.9	19.7	9.0	58.4	372.5
August	136.2	195.7	21.0	9.7	58.2		137.8	198.2	19.9	9.1	58.5	372.7
September	142.9	200.1	21.2	9.6	59.3		138.4	198.8	20.1	9.2	58.7	372.8
October	137.2	200.2	18.6	8.5	58.7		138.9	199.6	20.0	9.1	58.9	372.9
November	139.1	201.6	19.5	8.8	59.3		139.3	200.4	20.0	9.1	59.1	373.0

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2000			l	MALES		
September	43.8	51.2	3.1	5.8	73.8	73.6
October	43.9	51.5	3.4	6.2	74.5	73.7
November	43.9	51.7	3.6	6.6	75.1	73.8
December	43.9	51.9	3.8	6.7	75.5	73.8
2001						
January	43.9	52.0	3.8	6.8	75.6	73.8
February	44.1	52.0	3.8	6.8	75.6	73.9
March	44.3	52.2	3.9	7.0	76.0	73.9
April	44.6	52.6	4.1	7.2	76.7	73.9
May	44.9	53.2	4.3	7.4	77.8	73.9
June	45.0	53.9	4.4	7.5	78.8	73.8
July	45.1	54.4	4.4	7.5	79.6	73.9
August	44.9	54.7	4.4	7.5	79.9	74.0
September	44.6	54.7	4.5	7.5	79.9	74.1
October	44.2	54.5	4.5	7.7	79.7	74.1
November	43.9	54.2	4.7	8.0	79.4	74.1
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2000						
September	27.7	40.5	1.7	4.1	62.8	67.1
October	28.0	40.8	1.7	4.0	63.2	67.3
November	28.3	41.0	1.7	4.0	63.3	67.4
December	28.6	41.0	1.7	4.0	63.3	67.5
2001						
January	28.9	41.1	1.7	3.9	63.3	67.6
February	29.3	41.5	1.7	4.0	63.8	67.7
March	29.7	42.1	1.9	4.3	64.8	67.9
April	30.0	42.8	2.1	4.8	66.1	68.0
May	30.1	43.4	2.5	5.5	67.4	68.0
June	29.9	43.5	2.9	6.3	68.2	68.1
July	29.4	43.4	3.3	7.1	68.4	68.2
August	28.8	43.0	3.7	7.8	68.3	68.3
September	28.3	42.6	3.9	8.4	68.0	68.4
October	28.0	42.3	4.1	8.9	67.8	68.5
November	27.6	42.0	4.3	9.2	67.6	68.5
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2000						
September	71.6	91.6	4.9	5.0	68.5	140.7
October	71.9	92.3	5.1	5.3	69.1	140.9
November	72.2	92.7	5.4	5.5	69.5	141.1
December 2001	72.5	92.9	5.5	5.6	69.6	141.3
January	72.9	93.2	5.5	5.6	69.7	141.5
February	73.4	93.5	5.5	5.6	70.0	141.6
March	74.0	94.3	5.8	5.8	70.6	141.8
April	74.6	94.3 95.4	6.2	6.1	71.6	141.8
May	75.0	96.5	6.8	6.6	72.8	141.9
June	74.9	96.5 97.4	7.3	7.0	73.7	142.0
July	74.4 74.4	97.4	7.5 7.7	7.0 7.3	74.2	142.1
August	73.7	97.8 97.7	8.1	7.3 7.6	74.2 74.3	142.1
September	73.7 72.9	97.7 97.3	8.1 8.4	7.6 7.9	74.3 74.2	142.3 142.4
October						
November	72.2 71.5	96.7 96.2	8.7 8.9	8.2 8.5	74.0 73.7	142.5 142.6

⁽a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised. Estimates for the most recent three months may be subject to significant revisions as data for later months become available.

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	Employed full time	Total employed	Total unemployed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate	Civilian populatior aged 15 and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	%	%	'000
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2000			141	ALLO		
September	75.9	89.4	4.6	4.9	79.0	119.0
October	75.8	89.5	4.6	4.9	79.1	119.0
November	75.6	89.2	4.7	5.0	78.9	118.9
December	75.4	88.8	4.7	5.1	78.6	118.9
2001		00.4	4.0		=0.4	4400
January	75.3	88.4	4.8	5.1	78.4	118.9
February	75.2	88.1	5.0	5.3	78.2	119.0
March April	74.9	87.8	5.3	5.7	78.2	119.0
May	74.4 73.8	87.5 87.2	5.7 6.1	6.2 6.6	78.3 78.3	119.1 119.2
June	73.3	87.1	6.3	6.8	78.3	119.2
July	73.3 72.9	87.1 87.1	6.2	6.6	78.1	119.5
August	72.8	87.2	5.8	6.3	77.8	119.6
September	72.8 72.8	87.3	5.3	5.8	77.4	119.7
October	72.8	87.5	4.8	5.2	77.0	119.7
November	72.9	87.6	4.4	4.7	76.7	120.1
November	12.5	01.0	7.7	7.1	10.1	120.1
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2000						
September	51.4	81.5	3.0	3.6	68.0	124.3
October	51.3	81.6	3.0	3.5	68.0	124.3
November	51.0	81.4	3.0	3.6	67.9	124.3
December	50.7	81.0	3.1	3.7	67.6	124.3
2001						
January -	50.4	80.6	3.2	3.9	67.4	124.4
February	50.1	80.3	3.4	4.1	67.3	124.4
March	49.8	80.1	3.6	4.3	67.2	124.5
April	49.4	79.8	3.7	4.4	67.0	124.6
May	49.2	79.6	3.7	4.5	66.8	124.7
June	49.2	79.5	3.6	4.4	66.6	124.9
July	49.4	79.4	3.5	4.2	66.3	125.0
August	49.8	79.2	3.3	4.0	65.9	125.1
September	50.4	79.1	3.1	3.8	65.6	125.3
October	51.1	79.0	3.0	3.7	65.4	125.4
November	51.6	78.9	3.0	3.7	65.3	125.5
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2000			1 51			
September	127.3	170.9	7.6	4.3	73.4	243.4
October	127.1	171.0	7.6	4.3	73.4	243.3
November	126.6	170.6	7.7	4.3	73.3	243.3
December	126.1	169.8	7.9	4.4	73.0	243.2
2001						
January	125.7	169.1	8.0	4.5	72.8	243.3
February	125.2	168.4	8.4	4.7	72.6	243.4
March	124.7	167.8	8.9	5.0	72.6	243.5
April	123.9	167.3	9.5	5.3	72.5	243.7
May	123.0	166.9	9.9	5.6	72.4	243.9
June	122.5	166.6	9.9	5.6	72.3	244.2
July	122.4	166.4	9.6	5.5	72.0	244.5
August	122.7	166.4	9.1	5.2	71.7	244.7
September	123.2	166.4	8.5	4.8	71.4	245.0
October	123.9	166.5	7.9	4.5	71.1	245.3
November	124.5	166.5	7.4	4.2	70.8	245.6
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⁽a) Trend estimates for May 2001 to October 2001 have been revised. Estimates for the most recent three months may be subject to significant revisions as data for later months become available.

INTRODUCTION

1 This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the Labour Force Survey component of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised estimates for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0).

CONCEPTS, SOURCES AND METHODS

2 The conceptual framework used in Australia's Labour Force Survey aligns closely with the standards and guidelines set out in Resolutions of the International Conference of Labour Statisticians. Descriptions of the underlying concepts and structure of Australia's labour force statistics, and the sources and methods used in compiling the estimates, are presented in *Labour Statistics: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (Cat. no. 6102.0) which is also available on the ABS website www.abs.gov.au (Statistics—Statistical Concepts Library).

MONTHLY POPULATION SURVEY

- **3** The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (currently about 30,000 houses, flats, etc.) and a list sample of non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about 0.5% of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by specially trained interviewers. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).
- **4** The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. Each year, to deal with operational difficulties involved with collecting and processing the Labour Force Survey around the Christmas and New Year holiday period, interviews for December start four weeks after November interviews start, and January interviews start five weeks after December interviews start. Occasionally, circumstances that present significant operational difficulties for survey collection can result in a change to the normal pattern for the start of interviewing.
- **5** Estimates from the Labour Force Survey are published first in this publication 31 days after the commencement of interviews for that month, with the exception of estimates for each December which are published 38 days after the commencement of interviews.

TELEPHONE INTERVIEWING

- **6** The ABS has introduced the use of telephone interviewing into the Labour Force Survey. Households selected for the Labour Force Survey are interviewed each month for 8 months, with one eighth of the sample being replaced each month. The first interview is conducted face-to-face. Subsequent interviews are conducted by telephone (if acceptable to the respondent). Telephone interviewing was phased in for each new sample group from August 1996 to February 1997.
- **7** During the period of implementation, the new method produced different estimates than would have been obtained under the old methodology. The effect peaked in November 1996, when it is estimated that the published estimate of total employment was about 36,000 to 48,000 lower than would have been measured under the old methodology. The effect dissipated over the final months of implementation and was no longer discernible from February 1997. Therefore, the estimates for February 1997 and onwards are directly comparable to estimates for periods prior to August 1996.

SCOPE OF SURVEY

8 The Labour Force Survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except members of the permanent defence forces, certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments customarily excluded from census and estimated population counts, overseas residents in Australia, and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

COVERAGE

9 In the Labour Force Survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are necessarily a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

POPULATION BENCHMARKS

10 Labour Force Survey estimates are calculated in such a way as to add up to independent estimates of the civilian population aged 15 and over (population benchmarks). From February 1999, labour force estimates have been compiled using benchmarks based on the results of the 1996 Census of Population and Housing. Small revisions were made to many of the historical estimates from January 1995 to January 1999.

REVISION OF SERIES

- **11** From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers). For further information, see paragraphs 36 and 37 of the Explanatory Notes to the February 1987 issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0).
- **12** From April 2001 the Labour Force Survey has been conducted using a redesigned questionnaire containing additional data items and some minor definitional changes. Core labour force series were revised for the period April 1986 to March 2001 to ensure continuity. For further details, see *Information Paper: Implementing the Redesigned Labour Force Survey Questionnaire* (Cat. no. 6295.0) and *Information Paper: Questionnaires Used in the Labour Force Survey* (Cat. no. 6232.0).

SURVEY SAMPLE REDESIGN

- **13** The Labour Force Survey sample was last reselected using information collected in the 1996 Census of Population and Housing.
- 14 The bulk of the new sample was phased in over the period September 1997 to April 1998, with one eighth of this portion of the sample being introduced every month. The remainder of the sample (about 15% of the total), which covers less settled areas of Australia and non-private dwellings was rotated in full for New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory in September 1997, and for Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia in October 1997. Such a pattern of implementation means that any changes to labour force estimates due to differences between the two samples, or any other influences, were spread over the eight months.
- **15** For further details, see *Information Paper: Labour Force Survey Sample Design* (Cat. no. 6269.0).

RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

16 Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error.

Sampling error occurs because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the standard error. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown on pages 31 and 32. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Notes in *Labour Force*, *Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0).

Non sampling error arises from inaccuracies in collecting, recording and processing the data. Every effort is made to minimise reporting error by the careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, and efficient data processing procedures.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND TREND ESTIMATION

- **17** Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2, 5 and 12 to 17. Seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's original data. Information about the last annual review of seasonal factors was published in a feature article in the February 2001 issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat no. 6203.0). An additional review was conducted following the revision of series associated with the introduction of the redesigned questionnaire in April 2001 (see paragraph 12). The results of this additional review were used to compile the seasonally adjusted and trend estimates in this publication.
- **18** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. This means that month-to-month movements of the seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. For example, irregular factors unrelated to the trend account for more than half the seasonally adjusted movement with the following frequency:

Employment: 6 in 10 monthly movements Unemployment: 8 in 10 monthly movements Unemployment rate: 7 in 10 monthly movements Participation rate: 9 in 10 monthly movements.

- 19 The smoothing of seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular component of the seasonally adjusted series, and creates trend estimates. These trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months except the last six. The last six monthly trend estimates are obtained by applying surrogates of the Henderson average to the seasonally adjusted series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in tables 3, 6 and 12 to 19.
- **20** While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND TREND ESTIMATION continued

- **21** Trend estimates are published for the Northern Territory in table 18 and for the Australian Capital Territory in table 19. Unadjusted series for the two Territories have shown, historically, a high degree of variability, which can lead to considerable revisions to the seasonally adjusted estimates after each annual seasonal factor re-analysis. Seasonally adjusted estimates are not currently published for the two Territories. The most recent six months trend estimates are subject to revision. For the three most recent months, the revision may be relatively large. Inferences about trends drawn from smoothed seasonally adjusted (trend) estimates for months earlier than the latest three months are unlikely to be affected by month to month revisions. They may be affected by revision resulting from the annual re-analysis of seasonal factors.
- **22** For further information, see *A Guide to Interpreting Time Series—Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (Cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (02) 6252 6345.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- **23** Users may also wish to refer to *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available from ABS Bookshops.
- **24** Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (Cat. no. 1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Release Advice* (Cat. no. 1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Release Advice are available from any ABS office.

DATA AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

25 As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available. Inquiries should be made to Mark Webb on 02 6252 6525 or to any ABS office.

EFFECTS OF ROUNDING

- **26** Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
- **27** Estimates of movement shown in this publication are obtained by taking the difference of unrounded estimates. The movement estimate is then rounded to one decimal place. Therefore where a discrepancy occurs between the reported movement and the difference of the rounded estimates, the reported movement will be more accurate.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Notes in Cat. no. 6203.0 for more details.
- .. not applicable
- r revised

pts percentage points

GLOSSARY

Actively looking for work

Includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; answering an advertisement for a job; checking factory noticeboards or the touchscreens at the Centrelink offices; being registered with Centrelink as a jobseeker; checking or registering with any other employment agency; advertising or tendering for work; and contacting friends or relatives.

Attending school

Persons aged 15 to 19 years enrolled at secondary or high school in the reference week.

Attending tertiary educational institution full time

Persons aged 15 to 24 years enrolled full time at a TAFE college, university, or other educational institution in the reference week, except those persons aged 15 to 19 years who were still attending school.

Civilian population aged 15 year and over

All usual residents of Australia aged 15 years and over except members of the permanent defence forces, certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments customarily excluded from census and estimated population counts, overseas residents in Australia, and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

Employed

All persons aged 15 years and over who, during the reference week:

- worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and own account workers); or
- worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers); or
- were employees who had a job but were not at work and were:
 - away from work for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week: or
 - away from work for more than four weeks up to the end of the reference week and received pay for some or all of the four week period to the end of the reference week; or
 - away from work as a standard work or shift arrangement; or
 - on strike or locked out; or
 - on workers' compensation and expected to return to their job; or
- were employers or own account workers, who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

Full-time workers

Employed persons who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and those who, although usually working less than 35 hours a week, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week.

Labour force

For any group, persons who were employed or unemployed, as defined.

Labour force status

A classification of the civilian population aged 15 years and over into employed, unemployed or not in the labour force, as defined. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions adopted by the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians.

Not in the labour force

Persons who were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined.

Participation rate

For any group, the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

Part-time workers

Employed persons who usually worked less than 35 hours a week (in all jobs) and either did so during the reference week, or were not at work in the reference week.

Seasonally adjusted series

A time series of estimates with the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation removed. See Explanatory Notes 17 and 18 for more detail.

Trend series

A smoothed seasonally adjusted series of estimates. See Explanatory Notes 19 to 21 for more detail.

Unemployed

Persons aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

- had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and:
 - were available for work in the reference week; or
 - were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and could have started in the reference week if the job had been available then.

Unemployed looking for full-time work

Unemployed persons who:

- actively looked for full-time work and were available for work in the reference week; or
- actively looked for work and were not available for work in the reference week because they were waiting to start a new full-time job.

Unemployed looking for part-time work

Unemployed persons who:

- actively looked for part-time work only and were available for work in the reference week; or
- actively looked for work and were not available for work in the reference week because they were waiting to start a new part-time job.

Unemployment rate

For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

Unemployment to population ratio

For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the civilian population in the same group.

STANDARD ERRORS

The estimates in this publication are based on information gained from the occupants of a sample survey of dwellings. Because the entire population is not surveyed, the published estimates are subject to sampling error. The most common way of quantifying such sampling error is to calculate the standard error for the published estimate or statistic.

LEVEL ESTIMATES

To illustrate, let us say the published level estimate for employed persons aged 15 to 19 is 500,000. The calculated standard error in this case is 8,700. The standard error is then used to interpret the level estimate of 500,000. For instance, the standard error of 8,700 indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three that the real value falls within the range 491,300 to 508,700 (500,000 + or 8,700)
- There are approximately nineteen chances in twenty that the real value falls within the range 482,600 to 517,400 (500,000 + or 17,400).

The real value in this case is the result we would obtain if we could enumerate the total population.

The following tables show the standard errors for this month's level estimates.

					UNEMPLOYED									
	EMPLO	/ED		UNEMP	LOYED.									
	Full time	Part time	Total	Looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate				
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	pts	pts				
NSW	18.3	10.5	22.2	5.3	3.5	5.8	23.1	17.0	0.2	0.4				
Vic.	14.0	8.5	16.8	4.1	2.8	4.5	17.4	12.8	0.2	0.4				
Qld	10.8	7.6	12.3	4.1	2.5	4.6	12.7	10.1	0.2	0.4				
SA	5.0	3.6	5.8	1.8	1.1	2.0	5.9	5.0	0.3	0.5				
WA	5.4	4.1	6.1	2.2	1.3	2.4	6.2	5.0	0.2	0.4				
Tas.	1.8	1.4	2.1	0.8	0.4	0.9	2.2	1.9	0.4	0.6				
NT	1.2	0.9	1.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	1.4	1.0	0.5	1.0				
ACT	1.8	1.1	2.0	0.5	0.3	0.5	2.1	1.4	0.3	0.8				
Males	21.3	10.0	23.4	7.3	3.8	7.7	24.5	15.5	0.1	0.3				
Females	15.7	14.5	20.4	5.8	4.5	6.7	21.1	19.0	0.2	0.3				
Persons	28.1	16.6	37.2	8.6	5.4	9.5	39.6	25.1	0.1	0.3				

	NUMBE	R OF UNE	MPLOYED	PERSON	S	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work		Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	pts	pts	pts	pts	pts	
NSW	2.7	5.1	5.3	3.5	5.8	3.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	
Vic.	2.0	3.9	4.1	2.8	4.5	3.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	
Qld	1.8	3.9	4.1	2.5	4.6	2.8	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	
SA	0.8	1.7	1.8	1.1	2.0	3.9	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	
WA	1.1	2.0	2.2	1.3	2.4	3.1	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	
Tas.	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.9	4.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4	
NT	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	7.3	0.6	0.6	1.4	0.5	
ACT	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.5	6.4	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.3	
Males	3.4	6.9	7.3	3.8	7.7	2.0	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.1	
Females	2.9	5.4	5.8	4.5	6.7	2.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	
Persons	4.2	8.1	8.6	5.4	9.5	1.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	

MOVEMENT ESTIMATES

The following example illustrates how to use the standard error to interpret a movement estimate. Let us say that one month the published level estimate for females employed part time in Australia is 1,390,000; the next month the published level estimate is 1,400,000. The calculated standard error for the movement estimate is 13,000. The standard error is then used to interpret the published movement estimate of 10,000. For instance, the standard error of 13,000 indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three that the real movement over the two month period falls within the range -3,000 to 23,000 (10,000 + or -13,000)
- There are approximately nineteen chances in twenty that the real movement falls within the range -16,000 to 36,000 (10,000 + or 26,000).

The following tables show the standard errors for this month's movement estimates.

	EMPLOYED			UNEMP	UNEMPLOYED					
	Full time	Part time	Total	Looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partic- ipation rate
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	pts	pts
NSW	9.9	7.0	11.0	4.1	2.6	4.4	11.2	9.5	0.1	0.2
Vic.	7.6	5.4	8.4	3.1	2.2	3.4	8.6	7.2	0.1	0.2
Qld	6.7	4.9	7.6	2.9	1.9	3.2	7.8	6.3	0.2	0.3
SA	3.1	2.3	3.5	1.3	0.9	1.4	3.6	3.1	0.2	0.3
WA	3.9	2.9	4.3	1.6	1.2	1.8	4.4	3.5	0.2	0.3
Tas.	1.2	0.9	1.4	0.6	0.4	0.6	1.4	1.3	0.3	0.4
NT	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.4	0.3	0.5	1.2	8.0	0.4	0.9
ACT	1.0	0.7	1.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.1	0.9	0.2	0.5
Males Females	14.0 11.0	7.4 10.3	14.8 13.6	5.5 4.5	3.1 3.6	5.9 5.3	15.2 13.9	10.9 13.0	0.1 0.1	0.2 0.2
Persons	16.2	11.6	18.2	6.5	4.3	7.1	18.7	15.3	0.1	0.1

	NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS				UNEN	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work	Aged 20 and over looking for f/t work	Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total	Aged 15–19 looking for f/t work		Total looking for f/t work	Looking for p/t work	Total
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	pts	pts	pts	pts	pts
NSW	2.1	3.9	4.1	2.6	4.4	2.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1
Vic.	1.5	2.9	3.1	2.2	3.4	2.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1
Qld	1.6	2.8	2.9	1.9	3.2	2.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
SA	0.7	1.2	1.3	0.9	1.4	2.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2
WA	0.9	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
Tas.	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.6	3.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3
NT	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	6.1	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.4
ACT	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	5.6	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.2
Males	2.7	5.2	5.5	3.1	5.9	1.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1
Females	2.4	4.3	4.5	3.6	5.3	2.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Persons	3.2	6.1	6.5	4.3	7.1	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1

EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

Each time new seasonally adjusted estimates become available, trend estimates are revised (see paragraphs 19 and 20 of Explanatory Notes).

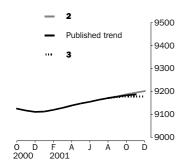
TREND REVISIONS

The examples in the tables below show four illustrative scenarios and the consequent revisions to previous trend estimates of employment and unemployment rate.

- **1** The December seasonally adjusted estimate is the same as the November estimate.
- **2** The December seasonally adjusted estimate is higher than the November estimate by:
 - +0.29% for employment
 - +1.81% for the unemployment rate
- **3** The December seasonally adjusted estimate is lower than the November estimate by:
 - -0.29% for employment
 - -1.81% for the unemployment rate
- **4** The December seasonally adjusted estimate results in a revised November trend estimate which is identical to the new December trend estimate.

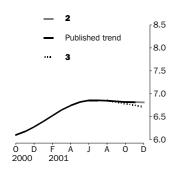
The percentage changes of 0.29% and 1.81% were chosen because they represent the average absolute monthly percentage changes in employment and the unemployment rate respectively.

EMPLOYMENT ('000)



		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE IS					
		1	2	3	4		
		9 186.6	9 213.3	9 160.0	9 165.4		
	TREND AS	i.e. the same	i.e. rises by	i.e. falls by	i.e. same trend		
	PUBLISHED	as Nov 2001	0.29%	0.29%	for Nov & Dec		
2001							
September	9 177.8	9 177.5	9 178.7	9 176.3	9 176.5		
October	9 183.0	9 182.7	9 186.6	9 178.7	9 179.5		
November	9 187.8	9 186.8	9 194.2	9 179.3	9 180.8		
December (new)	_	9 189.8	9 201.0	9 178.5	9 180.8		

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)



		WHAT IF NEXT MONTH'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATE					
		1	2	3	3 4		
		6.7	6.8	6.6	6.9		
	TREND AS	i.e. the same	i.e. rises by	i.e. falls by	i.e same trend		
	PUBLISHED	as Nov 2001	1.81%	1.81%	for Nov & Dec		
2001							
September	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8		
October	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8		
November	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8		
December	_	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.8		
(new)							

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